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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF

# READING

FOR THE YEAR

1935



T O W N   O F   R E A D I N G

# ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE

Financial Year Ended

December 31

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## **TOWN OFFICERS 1935**

Elected and Appointed

1935—1936

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### **Board of Selectmen**

J. WARREN KILLAM, JR., Chairman	Term expires	1936
NEWELL H. MORTON, Secretary	" "	1938
ALBERT N. LEMAN	" "	1937
LEON G. BENT, Clerk		

### **Board of Public Welfare**

MYRTLE L. LEMAN, Chairman	" "	1936
ORVILLE S. POLAND, Secretary	" "	1938
HARRIETT L. ROONEY	" "	1937

### **Board of Assessors**

EDGAR FROST, Chairman	" "	1936
ARTHUR S. COOK, Secretary	" "	1937
GEORGE E. HORROCKS	" "	1938

### **Town Clerk**

MILLARD F. CHARLES

### **Town Counsel**

SAMUEL H. DAVIS

### **Moderator**

CHARLES P. HOWARD

### **Treasurer**

PRESTON F. NICHOLS

### **Collector of Taxes**

GRACE V. VIALI

### **Town Accountant**

LEON G. BENT

### **Soldiers' Relief Agent**

FOREST H. BRYANT

### **Board of Public Works**

HAROLD W. PUTNAM, Chairman	Term expires	1937
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR., Secretary	" "	1936
CLINTON L. BANCROFT	" "	1938
ELMER P. CROOKER, JR.	" "	1937
ROBERT E. FOWLE	" "	1936
PHILIP P. WELCH, Superintendent		

### **Board of Health**

EDWARD M. HALLIGAN, Chairman	" "	1937
CHRISTINE F. ATKINSON, Secretary	" "	1936
ROBERT B. SHEPARDSON, M. D.	" "	1938

### Finance Committee

ROBERT B. MOUNT, Chairman	"	"	1936
MARGARET S. CANTY	"	"	1936
WILLIAM A. CONNELLY, D. M. D.	"	"	1937
GEORGE A. COTTON	"	"	1937
HAROLD B. CURRELL	"	"	1938
LOUIS DAVIS	"	"	1936
JOHN L. DEVANEY	"	"	1937
MARGARET R. ELLISON	"	"	1937
WILLIAM A. HALEY	"	"	1938
HOWARD P. KNOX	"	"	1936
FRANK M. MERRILL	"	"	1936
GEORGE F. NEILSON	"	"	1938
HERMAN M. NOYES	"	"	1938
G. LAWRENCE ROBERTS	"	"	1938
ALLAN H. STURGES	"	"	1937
LEON G. BENT, Clerk			

### School Committee

ARTHUR W. COOLIDGE, Chairman	Term expires	1937
IRVING C. AUSTIN	"	" 1938
*HELEN B. HARTSHORN	"	" 1937
RUTH M. STEMBRIDGE	"	" 1936
FRANK D. TANNER	"	" 1938
CHARLES R. WAKELING, M. D., D. O.	"	" 1936
‡ESTHER D. TWOMBLY	"	" 1936
ARTHUR E. PIERCE, Secretary		

### Superintendent of Schools

ARTHUR E. PIERCE

### Attendance Officer

JOSEPHINE L. FOWLER

### School Nurse

MABEL M. BROWN, R. N.

### School Physician

CHARLES R. HENDERSON, M. D.

### Municipal Light Board

HENRY R. JOHNSON, Chairman	Term expires	1938
HERBERT G. EVANS, Secretary	"	" 1936
LOUIS ELLENWOOD	"	" 1937
ARTHUR G. SIAS, Manager, Municipal Plant		

\* Resigned July 1935

‡ Elected October 1935 to fill vacancy until March 1936

### Board of Cemetery Trustees

PHILIP H. TIRRELL, Chairman	Term expires	1936
CLARENCE C. WHITE, Secretary	" "	1938
HAROLD F. DAVIS	" "	1936
FRANK LEE EDGERLEY	" "	1937
FRED L. NUTTER	" "	1937
WINTHROP D. PARKER	" "	1938
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT, Superintendent		

### Board of Registrars

ROBERT S. RALSTON, Chairman	" "	1938
RALPH S. KENEELY	" "	1937
OWEN McKENNEY	" "	1936
MILLARD F. CHARLES, Clerk		

### Planning Board

PHILIP R. WHITE, Chairman	" "	1938
WINTHROP D. PARKER, Secretary	" "	1937
SHERBURNE J. WATTS	" "	1938
McPHERSON DANIEL	" "	1936
CLARK S. ROBINSON	" "	1937

### Trustees of Public Library

HARRY J. BARCLAY, Chairman	" "	1938
WARREN L. FLETCHER, Secretary	" "	1937
*IDA C. LUCAS	" "	1938
LOUIS M. LYONS	" "	1936
JESSE W. MORTON	" "	1937
HELEN P. TIRRELL	" "	1936
‡ISABEL G. HEDGES	" "	1936

### Board of Appeal

HENRY Q. MILLETT, Chairman	Term expires	1938
FRED L. NUTTER, Secretary	" "	1937
BENJAMIN B. PIPER	" "	1936

### Associate Members of Board of Appeal

HOWARD T. CLINCH	Term expires	1937
ARTHUR P. FRENCH	" "	1938
HERBERT T. SCHOPPELRY	" "	1936

\* Deceased November 19, 1935

‡ Elected December 1935 to fill vacancy until March 1936

**Commissioners of Trust Funds**

H. RAYMOND JOHNSON	Term expires 1937
PHILIP H. TIRRELL	" " 1941
CLARENCE C. WHITE	" " 1939

Town Treasurer and Chairman Selectmen, members ex-officiis.

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

**Inspector of Milk and Food**

CARL M. SMITH

**Inspector of Plumbing and Gas Inspector**

DAVID TAGGART

**Inspector of Animals**

BERNARD SCHIMPFKE

**Dog Officer**

CHARLES H. MELENDY

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

CORNELIUS THIBEAULT, M. D. V.

**Inspector of Buildings**

A. RUSSELL BARNES

**Superintendent of Moth Work and Tree Warden**

HENRY M. DONEGAN

**Burial Agent, Soldiers and Sailors**

ALFRED E. GOODWIN

**Custodian of Soldiers' Graves**

HARRY A. TURNER

**Measurers of Wood and Bark**

THOMAS E. BROGAN	PERCY N. SWEETSER
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BURTON K. SYMONDS

**Reading Safety Council**

THOMAS H. BURBANK, Chairman	Term expires 1936
THOMAS F. CLASSEN	" " 1936
ELEANOR R. CRAFTS	" " 1936
MARY EARLEY	" " 1936
JOHN W. GOFF	" " 1936
MICHAEL J. HEGARTY	" " 1936
MAUD G. INGALLS	" " 1936
BARBARA S. KNIGHT	" " 1936
ERNEST R. LEAVITT	" " 1936
ROBERT B. MOUNT, JR.	" " 1936
CHARLES W. H. SMITH	" " 1936

**Forest Warden**

ORVILLE O. ORDWAY

**Deputy Forest Warden**

HENRY M. DONEGAN

**Constables**

LEON G. BENT

J. WINTHROP SIAS

**Police Department**

JEREMIAH CULLINANE, Chief

**Sergeants**

FRANCIS T. SLACK

FRANCIS L. JOHNSON

**Patrolmen**

TIMOTHY J. CULLINANE

OSCAR H. LOW

FRANK R. FISHER

PATRICK J. LONG

EARL R. HUTCHINSON

GORDON G. MacINTIRE

JAMES H. LAWLER

HAROLD W. O'BRIEN

THOMAS J. FITZPATRICK

WILLIAM F. O'BRIEN

THOMAS E. WALL

**Reserve Officers**

JOHN R. CONDON

NORMAN L. DICKINSON

ARTHUR M. CURTIN

JOSEPH M. GREENE

PATRICK J. PANTANO

**Keeper of the Lock-up**

JEREMIAH CULLINANE

**Fire Department**

ORVILLE O. ORDWAY, Chief

JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Deputy Chief

HUGH L. EAMES, Capt.

ALBERT C. MAXWELL

GEORGE W. GOODRIDGE

FRANK L. McKENNEY

CHARLES H. HESELTON

HERBERT L. ROBERTSON

WILLIAM H. VANHORN, Lieut.

**Call Firemen**

OWEN McKENNEY, Capt.

H. HARVEY QUIGLEY

FRANK BUTTERS, Capt.

CHESTER GOODWIN

WILLIAM H. GAY, Capt.

ELMER A. DYKENS

LEWIS C. HOLDEN, Lieut.

HERMAN L. RIESSLE, JR.

FRANK H. HESELTON, Lieut.

W. REGINALD VANHORN

GEORGE F. BAXTER

ANDREW B. BUTTERS

LEONARD P. DOUCETTE

JOHN A. RAMSAY

HOWARD E. BUSSELL

ALBERT E. MERRILL

THOMAS F. CLASSEN

CHARLES N. CHASE

LESLIE C. HADLEY

G. WARREN SPRAGUE

JOSEPH ARSENAULT

**Superintendent of Fire Alarm**  
**Inspector of Wires**  
HUGH L. EAMES

**Measurers of Lumber**  
ORA L. MILBURY                      WARREN M. WHITEHOUSE  
BURTON K. SYMONDS                      WILLIAM R. ZWICKER

**Weighers of Coal and Hay**  
W. IRVING BANCROFT                      BERTHA D. MacLELLAN  
THOMAS E. BROGAN                      WENDELL B. NEWELL  
CHARLES W. LEE                      CHARLES N. SWEETSER  
MABEL L. MacKAY                      PERCY N. SWEETSER

**Field Drivers**  
ARTHUR W. BANCROFT                      ADOLPH S. LARSON  
EDWARD E. NICHOLS

**Fence Viewers**  
WENDELL B. NEWELL                      CARL B. SAWYER  
ALBERT E. TEMPLE

**Committee on Elm Tree Protection**  
ANDREW CHRISTENSEN                      HENRY M. DONEGAN  
JOHN F. SAWYER

**Committee on Town Forests**  
LELAND W. KINGMAN, Chairman                      Term expires 1937  
HENRY M. DONEGAN                      " " 1936  
ORVILLE O. ORDWAY                      " " 1938

**Law Committee**  
J. WARREN KILLAM, JR., Chairman                      EDGAR FROST  
ARTHUR W. COOLIDGE                      HENRY R. JOHNSON  
EDWARD M. HALLIGAN                      HAROLD W. PUTNAM

**Insurance Committee**  
J. WARREN KILLAM, JR., Chairman                      }  
ALBERT N. LEMAN                      } Selectmen  
NEWELL H. MORTON                      }  
PRESTON F. NICHOLS, Town Treasurer  
ROBERT B. MOUNT, Chairman Finance Committee

**Publicity Committee**  
LOGAN R. DICKIE, Chairman                      W. FLETCHER TWOMBLY  
H. RAYMOND JOHNSON

## LIST OF JURORS FOR 1935—1936

Prepared by the Board of Selectmen

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Name	Occupation	Residence
Abbott, H. Kingman,	Civil Engineer	12 Bancroft Ave.
Adams, Robert N.,	Salesman	118 Ash St.
Allard, Ernest W.,	Clerk	136 Wakefield St.
Austin, Irving C.,	Wool Merchant	96 Prescott St.
Babcock, Ralph G.,	Accountant	18 Berkeley St.
Babine, Louis,	Commercial Artist	167 Ash St.
Barr, Robert J.,	Salesman	31 Highland St.
Barris, George R.,	Fuel Oil Engineer	42 Temple St.
Beaman, Thomas W.,	Optometrist	48 Pearl St.
Berger, Arnold,	Resident Manager	31 Ash St.
Blois, Irving G.,	Cashier	229 Lowell St.
Brophy, Edward A.,	Engineer	300 Main St.
Burnham, Robert W.,	Bank Teller	20 Gardner Rd.
Campbell, William,	Carpenter	17 Salem St.
Carpenter, Albert E. C.,	Salesman	7 Vale Rd.
Cate, Frank C.,	Merchant	2 Ellis Ave.
Chandler, Myron K.,	Traffic Engineer	42 Hanscom Ave.
Clinch, Howard T.,	Architect	3 Perkins Ave.
Collins, Henry O.,	Electrician	24 Glen Rd.
Cummings, Dennis F.,	Necktie Cutter	41 Salem St.
Curtis, George E.,	Assistant Superintendent	30 Grand St.
David, A. Lloyd,	Assistant Secretary	54 Howard St.
Davis, Wendell P.,	Manager	85 Woburn St.
Day, William R.,	Manufacturer	18 Dudley St.
Desmond, Daniel J.,	Manager	138 Main St.
Doucette, Clarence L.,	Accountant	23 Prescott St.
Driver, Henry,	Salesman	109 High St.
Dunn, Frank J.,	Foreman	28 Pleasant St.
Eagleston, Fred O.,	Electrician	4 Thorndike St.
Evans, F. Clifford,	Salesman	40 Howard St.
Fairchild, James W.,	Assistant Treasurer	394 Main St.



Name	Occupation	Residence
Flint, Russell A.,	Teller	Sunnyside Ave.
Forbes, Frank D.,	R. R. Man	3 Hancock St.
Foster, Hamilton S.,	Insurance	253 Summer Ave.
Gleason, Clement T.,	Clerk	27 Prescott St.
Goodwin, Harry C.,	Clerk	Torre St.
Graupner, Albert C. Jr.,	Clerk	229 High St.
Greene, Timothy G.,	Operator	5 Warren Ave.
Griffiths, Eleazer H.,	Salesman	61 Harrison St.
Hall, Burt S.,	Civil Engineer	15 Prescott St.
Henderson, Herbert L.,	Merchant	87 Prospect St.
Herrick, Edward O.,	Service Manager	6 Kingston St.
Hersee, David E.,	Bank Vice President	10 Weston Rd.
Hill, Louis G.,	Superintendent	50 Spring St.
Hills, Kenneth M.,	Insurance	1 Parkman Rd.
Holden, Lewis C.,	Clerk	14 Eaton St.
Holmes, Lawton G.,	Organ Pipe Worker	19 Manning St.
Hoyt, Carl H.,	Toolmaker	46 Washington St.
Ingalls, Frederick D. B.,	Consulting Engineer	1 Hopkins St.
Ives, C. Quincy,	Salesman	96 Oak St.
Jacob, Henry P.,	Treasurer	Longview Rd.
Jeffrey, William G.,	Voicer	24 Locust St.
Johnson, L. Melvin,	Merchant	29 Pleasant St.
Jones, Elmer D.,	Storekeeper	20 Charles St.
Kehoe, Edward H.,	Clerk	157 Bancroft Ave.
Keleher, Charles G.,	R. R. Man	69 Howard St.
Kimball, Clarence M.,	Accountant	175 Summer Ave.
King, Chester R.,	Painter	44 Village St.
Kingman, Chester E.,	Accountant	10 Sanborn St.
Langdon, Charles E.,	Manager	29a Highland St.
Lazenby, Francis C. W.,	Radio Engineer	9 Lincoln St.
Lee, William H.,	X-Ray Operator	29 Locust St.
Lehan, Bartholomew J.,	Real Estate	17 Temple St.
Lowell, Ernest T.,	Shoecutter	64 Linden St.
Mallock, Graham C.,	Lineman	242 Main St.
Mansfield, John E.,	Carpenter	158 Franklin St.
Mason, Philip E.,	Chemist	6 Parkview Rd.



Name	Occupation	Residence
McKenney, Charles J., Clerk		105 John St.
Meuse, Melvin H., Rattan Worker		7 Winthrop Ave.
Middleton, Charles H., Radio Repairman		86 Bancroft Ave.
Murray, John J., Interior Decorator		37 Vine St.
Neilson, George T., Merchandise Broker		231 Lowell St.
Nesmith, Arthur S., Assistant Treasurer		20 Hanscom Ave.
Nichols, Clifton S., Clerk		5 School St.
Nodding, Leonard J., Salesman		42 Berkeley St.
Norton, Frank W., Clerk		5 Sunnyside Ave.
O'Brien, Raymond E., Foreman		83 Lowell St.
Palmer, Harold V., Merchant		65 Prospect St.
Parry, Louis A., Machinist		3 Orange St.
Phippin, Harry I., Salesman		84 Summer Ave.
Pierce, Lewis E., Electrical Engineer		7 Elliott St.
Pinkham, Carl W., Voicer		24 Pleasant St.
Reed, Winfield A., Special Agent		3 School St.
Reichardt, Otis N., Retired		6 Woodward Ave.
Remick, James H., Merchant		1 Mt. Vernon St.
Richardson, Herbert S., Transportation		11 Fairview Ave.
Riley, George J., Clerk		26 Hancock St.
Roberts, G. Lawrence, Assistant Sales Manager		67 Summer Ave.
Robbins, George, Millhand		28 Park Ave.
Ruggles, Gould B., Manufacturer's Agent		200 High St.
Sanders, Wilbur S., Clerical		97 Prospect St.
Sargent, Albert E., Clerk		6 Oak St.
Sawyer, John F., Manager		8 Arlington St.
Shumaker, Henry W., Assistant Treasurer		41 John St.
Smith, Ralph W., Salesman		14 Scotland Rd.
Spencer, Orville H., Furniture Dealer		50 Federal St.
Springford, F. Lionel, Jr., Treasurer		15 Grand St.
Starke, Albin, Tinsmith		55 Eaton St.
Stockwell, Philip J., Electrician		Hartshorn St.
Sullivan, Charles A., Shoe Cutter		5 Winthrop Ave.
Surette, Leo A., Traveling Freight Agent		11 Temple St.
Taylor, Walter F., Salesman		45 Locust St.
Temple, Albert E., Salesman		71 Prescott St.

Name	Occupation	Residence
Thomas, Clarence L.,	Distribution Engineer	128 Bancroft Ave.
Tolman, Lawrence P.,	Mechanical Engineer	21 Scotland Rd.
Viall, Milton B.,	Salesman	42 Bancroft Ave.
Wade, Alfred P.,	Insurance Broker	165 Summer Ave.
Whelpley, George E.,	Clerk	254 West St.
White, Frederick I.,	Manufacturer	150 High St.
Whitehouse, Robert N.,	Bank Clerk	134 Pearl St.
Whitney, Glenn E.,	Insurance	Ellis Ave.
Widdell, John M.,	Clerk	31 Glen Rd.
Williamson, Alexander,	Real Estate	44 Vine St.
Wilson, Paul E.,	Clerk	29 Center Ave.
Winship, Arthur G.,	Manager	61 Woburn St.
Wright, Albert J.,	Merchant	7 Washington St.
Zwicker, Lavers D.,	Foreman	229 Main St.

Approved:

J. WARREN KILLAM, JR.

NEWELL H. MORTON

ALBERT N. LEMAN

Selectmen of Reading.

Reading, Mass., June 28, 1935.

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## TOWN OF READING

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Population 1935 Census: 10,703.

Registered Voters 1935: Men 2553, Women 2584, Total 5137.

Fifth Congressional District.

Sixth Councillor District.

Seventh Middlesex Senatorial District.

Eighteenth Middlesex Representative District.

Representative in Congress, 5th District, Edith Nourse Rogers, Lowell.

Councillor 6th District, James J. Brennan, Somerville.

Senator 7th Middlesex District, Joseph R. Cotton, Lexington.

Representatives 18th Middlesex District, Gustave W. Everberg, Woburn, and Mollie A. Sweetser, Reading.

## ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

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Security Hall, Woburn St., March 4, 1935.

Pursuant to the warrant and the Constable's return thereon, a town meeting was held and was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard. The warrant was partially read, when on motion it was voted to dispense with further reading except the Constable's return which was duly read by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles.

Article 1. To bring in their votes on one ballot for Moderator, for one year; Town Clerk for one year; one member of the Board of Selectmen for three years; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of the Board of Assessors for three years; Treasurer for one year; Collector of Taxes for one year; one member of the Board of Public Works for three years; two Constables for one year; Tree Warden for one year, one member of the Municipal Light Board for three years; one member of the Board of Health for three years; two members of the School Committee for three years; one Trustee of the Public Library for one year; two Trustees of the Public Library for three years; two members of the Board of Cemetery Trustees for three years; two members of the Planning Board for three years.

### Moderator, One Year

Charles P. Howard, 122 Summer Avenue .....	2517
Blanks .....	422

### Town Clerk, One Year

Millard F. Charles, 66 Bancroft Avenue .....	2670
Blanks .....	269

### Selectman, Three Years

Newell H. Morton, 114 Woburn Street .....	2591
Blanks .....	348

### Board of Public Welfare, Three Years

Orville S. Poland, 59 Oak Street .....	2415
Blanks .....	524

### Assessor, Three Years

George E. Horrocks, 25 Pleasant Street .....	1569
Wilfred E. Pratt, 208 Summer Avenue .....	626
Alexander Williamson, 44 Vine Street .....	649
Blanks .....	95

### **Treasurer, One Year**

Preston F. Nichols, 56 Linden Street .....	2602
Blanks .....	337

### **Tax Collector, One Year**

Roy C. Skidmore, 39 Hanscom Avenue .....	582
Grace V. Viall, 42 Bancroft Avenue .....	2250
Blanks .....	107

### **Board of Public Works, Three Years**

Clinton L. Bancroft, 50 Bancroft Avenue .....	1221
Everett C. Coombs, 39 Grove Street .....	497
Edward H. Emerson, Main Street .....	273
Carl W. Goodridge, 170 Bancroft Avenue .....	527
George T. Lewis, 8 Willow Street .....	234
Blanks .....	187

### **Constables, One Year**

Leon G. Bent, 215 Main Street .....	1934
John P. MacLean, 7 Mt. Vernon Street .....	718
James Winthrop Sias, 5 Salem Street .....	1814
Stephen W. Wendell, 88 Ash Street .....	689
Blanks .....	723

### **Tree Warden, One Year**

Henry M. Donegan, 15 Federal Street .....	2484
Elbridge E. Munnis, Torre Street .....	351
Blanks .....	104

### **Municipal Light Board, Three Years**

Henry R. Johnson, Woodward Avenue .....	2401
Blanks .....	538

### **Board of Health, Three Years**

Gerald W. Bredbury, 32 Deering Street .....	921
Harold J. Cronin, 15 Mt. Vernon Street .....	317
Robert B. Shepardson, 12 Pratt Street .....	1475
Blanks .....	226

### **School Committee, Three Years**

Irving C. Austin, 96 Prescott Street .....	1652
Theodore P. Berle, 126 Ash Street .....	971
Emma S. Page, 42 Woburn Street .....	927
Frank D. Tanner, 92 Oak Street .....	1822
Blanks .....	506

### **Trustee Public Library, One Year**

Louis M. Lyons, Vale Road .....	2459
Blanks .....	480

### **Trustees Public Library, Three Years**

Harry J. Barclay, Vale Road .....	2389
Ida C. Lucas, 435 Franklin Street .....	2379
Blanks .....	1110

### **Trustees Cemeteries, Three Years**

Winthrop D. Parker, 1 Charles Street .....	2408
Clarence C. White, 26 Sanborn Street .....	2517
Blanks .....	953

### **Planning Board, Three Years**

George F. A. MacDougall, 13 Village Street .....	1291
Sherburne J. Watts, 7 Fremont Street .....	1905
Philip R. White, 37 Prescott Street .....	1466
Blanks .....	1216

Voted to adjourn.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

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## **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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Security Hall, Woburn St., March 11, 1935.

### **Report of Special Committee**

At the special town meeting held November 27, 1934, the following vote was passed.

"That the Selectmen and Town Counsel be a Committee to investigate and report to the town as to whether unexpended balance cannot be transferred in some other legal way without calling a town meeting to act thereon".

The Committee reported as follows:—

"This vote refers to special appropriations made by the town, and under the provisions of the law, the town has no right to delegate its authority to make appropriations to any of its officers.

"The unexpended balances of general appropriation are cancelled at the end of the year during which the appropriation is made, but the unexpended balances of special appropriations remain until disposed of by vote of the town.

"As the law does not allow the town to delegate its authority for making appropriations, unexpended balances of special appropriations can be transferred only by vote of the Town".

Respectfully,

J. WARREN KILLAM, JR.

NEWELL H. MORTON

ALBERT N. LEMAN

Board of Selectmen.

SAMUEL H. DAVIS

Town Counsel.

Article 2. To hear and act on the reports of the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountant, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Board of Assessors, Board of Public Works, Town Clerk, Tree Warden, Board of Health, Board of Public Welfare, School Committee, Public Library Trustees, Municipal Light Board, Cemetery Trustees, Planning Board. Finance Committee and any other Boards and Special Committees.

Article 2. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay Article 2 on the table.

Article 3. To choose all other necessary town officers and determine what instructions shall be given town officers and special committees.

Article 3. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the following be chosen to serve as Measurers of Lumber for the ensuing year: Ora L. Milbury, Burton K. Symonds, William R. Zwicker, Warren M. Whitehouse; and the following as Measurers of Wood and Bark; Percy N. Sweetser, Burton K. Symonds, Thomas E. Brogan.

Article 3. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay this article on the table.

Article 4. To determine how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for General Government, Protection of Persons and Property, Health and Sanitation, Highways, Sidewalks, Drainage Maintenance, Charities, and Aid, Soldiers' Benefits, Public Schools, Public Library, Recreation, Cemeteries, Memorial Day Observance, Municipal Light Department, Water Department, Sewer Department, Maturing Debt, Interest, Insurance and General Accounts.

Article 4. On motion of Arthur W. Coolidge, as amended by Robert B. Mount, it was voted that \$222,658.40 be raised and appropriated for School Department as follows:

*School Department, General Maintenance .....	\$ 48,390.00
General Salaries .....	169,722.00
Agricultural Maintenance .....	540.00



Agricultural Salaries .....	2,506.40
Industrial Tuition .....	1,500.00
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	\$ 222,658.40

\*Including \$100.00 for travel outside the state.

The vote on the motion as amended was 280 "Yes" and 213 "No".

Article 4. On motion of J. Warrer Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay Article 4 on the table.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1935, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Town Treasurer.

Article 5. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1935, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1936, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Town Treasurer.

Article 6. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1936, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the purpose of foreclosing in the Land Court pursuant to provisions of Section 65 of Chapter 60 of the General Laws, the right of re-

demption to any and all real estate taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Town Treasurer.

Article 7. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of perfecting the titles in the Land Court by foreclosure of all rights of redemption to real estate taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes previous to the year 1933, and the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized and empowered to take all necessary proceedings to perfect such titles in the Land Court.

Article 8. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the Reserve Fund as provided by Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Town Accountant.

Article 8. On motion of L. G. Bent, it was voted that five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the Reserve Fund, as provided by Section 6, Chapter 40 of the General Laws.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of eight dollars (\$8.00) to balance overdraft in Old Age Assistance Agency Account, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Town Accountant.

Article 9. On motion of L. G. Bent, it was voted that eight dollars (\$8.00) be raised and appropriated to balance overdraft in Old Age Assistance Agency account.

Article 10. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the payment of unpaid bills of 1933 and 1934 or what it will do in relation thereto.

Town Accountant

Article 10. On motion of L. G. Bent, it was voted that two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2,800.00) be raised and appropriated for the payment of unpaid bills of 1933 and 1934.

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and twenty-seven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$427.95) to balance overdraft in Temporary Aid Account of 1934, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Town Accountant.

Article 11. On motion of L. G. Bent, it was voted that four hundred twenty-seven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$427.95) be raised and appropriated to balance overdraft in Temporary Aid account.

Article 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the care of graves of any persons who have served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the



United States, in time of war or insurrection, and who have been honorably discharged from such service, as provided by Section 22, Chapter 115, General Laws, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 12. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) be raised and appropriated for the care of graves of any persons who have served in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United Staes, in time of war or insurrection, and who have been honorably discharged from such service as provided by Section 22, Chapter 115, General Laws.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to take Article 4 from the table.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$24,152.74 be raised and appropriated for General Government as follows:

Selectmen's Expenses .....	\$ 800.00
Selectmen's Clerical .....	1,162.96
Town Accountant's Salary .....	1,775.48
Treasurer's Salary .....	1,109.00
Treasurer's Expenses .....	1,000.00
Treasurer's Clerical .....	250.00
Collector's Salary .....	*2,066.00
Collector's Expenses .....	1,500.00
Collector's Clerical .....	500.00
Assessors' Salaries .....	1,761.00
Assessors' Expenses .....	1,800.00
Assessors' Clerical .....	2,165.80
Town Counsel's Salary .....	1,000.00
Town Counsel's Expenses .....	200.00
Town Clerk's Salary .....	350.00
Town Clerk's Expenses .....	600.00
Board of Public Works, Salaries and Expenses .....	5,200.00
Registrars' Salaries .....	237.50
Election and Registration Expenses .....	675.00
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	\$ 24,152.74

\*Fees to be turned in to Treasury.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$92,136.00 be raised and appropriated for General Accounts as follows:—

Miscellaneous Expenses .....	\$ 2,500.00
Municipal Building Maintenance .....	2,500.00
Fire Stations, Maintenance .....	850.00
Police Station Maintenance .....	1,100.00

Interest, not including water, light and sewer .....	19,186.00
Maturing Debt, not including water and light .....	66,000.00
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	\$ 92,136.00

Article 4. On motion of Robert B. Mount, it was voted that the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the General Expenses of the Planning Board.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$70,073.37 be raised and appropriated for Protection of Persons and Property as follows:—

Police Department Maintenance .....	\$ 4,000.00
Police Department Salaries and Special Officers .....	32,096.00
Fire Department Maintenance .....	2,375.00
Fire Department Salaries .....	17,802.22
Fire Department Call Men Salaries .....	3,200.75
Fire Alarm Maintenance .....	1,500.00
Hydrant Rentals .....	1,500.00
Moth Department Maintenance .....	4,231.00
Tree Warden Maintenance .....	1,500.00
Forest Warden Maintenance .....	150.00
Inspector of Buildings Salary .....	475.00
Inspector of Wires Salary .....	176.60
Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary .....	481.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expenses .....	190.00
Game Warden Salary .....	95.00
Dog Officer .....	300.00

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\$ 70,073.37

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$11,055.25 be raised and appropriated for Health and Sanitation as follows:—

Board of Health Salaries .....	\$ 300.00
Board of Health Expenses .....	400.00
Inspector of Plumbing Salary .....	565.25
Inspector of Animals Salary .....	190.00
Inspector of Food and Milk Salary .....	200.00
Care of Contagious Diseases .....	6,500.00
Garbage Collection .....	2,400.00
Dental Clinic .....	500.00

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\$ 11,055.25

Article 4. On motion of Harry J. Barclay as amended by Robert B. Mount, it was voted that \$7,600.00 be raised and appropriated for the

Public Library as follows :

Library Maintenance .....	\$ 2,800.00
Library Salaries .....	4,800.00
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	\$ 7,600.00

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for connecting estates with the common sewer.

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-seven thousand five hundred (\$37,500.00) dollars for highways and sidewalks as follows:—

Repairs, const. and maint. of highways, setting curb, purchase of materials, tools and appliances and any other incidental expenses pertaining thereto .....	\$ 25,000.00
Sidewalk Construction .....	2,000.00
Removal of Snow and Ice .....	10,000.00
Maint. of storm drains and waterways .....	500.00
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	\$ 37,500.00

Article 4. On motion of Henry R. Johnson, it was voted that there be included in the tax levy for electricity used for street lights the sum of seventeen thousand three hundred dollars (\$17,300.00), and that said sum and the income from sales of electricity to private consumers and for electricity supplied to municipal buildings and for municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year, be appropriated for the Municipal Lighting Plant, the whole to be expended by the Manager of Municipal Lighting, under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for the expense of the plant for the fiscal year as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, and that if said sum and said income shall exceed said expense for said fiscal year, twenty thousand dollars of such excess shall be transferred to the general funds of the town and the balance shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Article 4. On motion of Myrtle L. Leman, it was voted that the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) be raised and appropriated for Charities and Aid for the year 1935 as follows:

Administrative Expense .....	\$ 7,282.00
Aid, Board and Care .....	52,000.00
Temporary Aid .....	14,718.00

Mothers' Aid .....	6,000.00
Old Age Assistance .....	20,000.00
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	\$100,000.00

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$13,300.00 be raised and appropriated for Soldiers' Benefits as follows:

State Aid .....	\$ 1,000.00
Military Aid .....	800.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	11,500.00
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	\$ 13,300.00

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam as amended by Robert B. Mount, it was voted that \$2,100.00 be raised and appropriated for Recreation as follows:

Park Dept. ....	\$ 2,000.00
Drinking Fountains .....	100.00
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	\$ 2,100.00

Article 4. On motion of Philip H. Tirrell, it was voted that the sum of eight thousand six hundred dollars (\$8,600.00) be raised and appropriated for cemeteries; eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to be expended for maintenance of Laurel Hill Cemetery and six hundred dollars (\$600.00) for maintenance and development of Forest Glen Cemetery.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for Memorial Day observance, to be expended under the direction of Reading Post No. 62, American Legion.

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, as amended by Robert B. Mount, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00, of which sum \$2,809.13 is to be taken from the unexpended balance on hand in the Water Reserve on January 1, 1935, said appropriation to be used by the Board of Public Works for the payment of water bonds and interest, maintenance and operation and construction of water works.

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00, of which sum, \$1,255.97 is to be taken from the unexpended balance on hand in the Sewer Reserve on January 1, 1935, said appropriation to be used by the Board of Public Works for the payment of interest due the current year on sewer bonds, and the charges incident to the maintenance, operation or extension of the sewer system.

Article 4. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr. it was voted to lay Article 4 on the table.

Article 13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of assessments levied on the town for its share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan Acts of 1932 bonds maturing in 1935, issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932, also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10, also for the town's share of the cost and interest on said bonds due in 1935, also for the care, maintenance, and repair of said hospital for 1934, and including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, applicable thereto, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, determine how money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 13. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the sum of \$3,000.00, this being the Town's share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Loan Acts of 1932, bonds maturing in 1935, be and the same is hereby appropriated and that a further sum of \$956.25 be and hereby is appropriated on account of interest and other charges on account thereof. That a further sum of \$1,973.61 be and hereby is appropriated for the town's share of the net cost of care, maintenance and repairs of the Middlesex County Hospital, including interest on temporary notes issued therefor, in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable thereto. Total (\$5,929.86).

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money for general municipal purposes under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, or take any action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 14. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the general maintenance expense of the town, including revenue loans due in 1935, but in no event to exceed a sum in excess of the amount of the tax titles taken or held by the Town, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefore, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933 and the proceeds of the loan be and the same hereby are appropriated for the general main-

tenance expenses of the town, including the payment of revenue loans due in 1935.

Two hundred twelve voted "Yes" and none "No".

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell on such terms and conditions as they may determine, any and all real estate acquired by the town for taxes, wherein such title has been duly perfected as provided by law, and to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the town deeds and such other instruments which may be necessary conveying such property to the purchasers thereof, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 15. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, empowered and instructed to sell on such terms and conditions as they may determine, any and all real estate acquired by the town for taxes wherein such title has been duly perfected as provided by law, and that the Selectmen be and they hereby are further authorized, empowered and instructed to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the town, deeds and such other instruments which may be necessary, conveying such property to the purchasers thereof.

Article 16. To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, certain tract or tracts of land adjoining or near the public dump owned by the town on the easterly side of John Street, for the purpose of enlarging and increasing the area of the public dump, and to see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for such purchase or taking, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 16. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 17. To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of two (2) motorcycles for the Police Department, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 17. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of two (2) motorcycles for the Police Department.

Article 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) for the purchase of a pump for the Forest Warden, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.



Article 18. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) for the purchase of a one-ton truck for the Moth Department, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 19. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a one-ton truck for the Moth Department.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 223 of Acts of 1930, being an act Relative to Municipal Advertising, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 20. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the provisions of Chapter 223 of the Acts of 1930, being an Act Relative to Municipal Advertising, be and the same hereby is accepted by the Town.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6 of the By-Laws of the Town for the construction of buildings by striking therefrom the first sentence as appearing in said section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a committee of three citizens of Reading to be called the Board of Appeal. The initial members thereof shall be appointed one to serve for one year, one for two years and one for three years, from the first day of April 1935, and thereafter when the term of any member expires, his successor shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years. In all cases the members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The Board of Selectmen shall in like manner appoint three associate members of the Board of Appeal; and in case of a vacancy, inability to act, or interest in the subject matter on the part of a member of said Board, his place may be taken by an associate member to be designated by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 21. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the By-Law of the Town for the construction of buildings be and the same hereby is amended by striking from Section 6 thereof, the first sentence as appearing in said Section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 6. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a committee of three citizens of Reading to be called the Board of Appeal.

The initial members thereof shall be appointed one to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, from the first

day of April, 1935, and thereafter when the term of any member expires, his successor shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years. In all cases the members shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The Board of Selectmen shall in like manner appoint three associate members of the Board of Appeal; and in case of a vacancy, inability to act, or interest in the subject matter on the part of a member of said Board, his place may be taken by an associate member to be designated by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws of the Town by inserting after Article V the following new article:

#### **Article V (a)**

Section 1. The Board of Selectmen shall annually on or before the fifteenth day of April, and whenever a vacancy shall exist appoint a duly registered physician to be known as the Town Physician who shall be paid such a salary as may be determined by the Board of Selectmen, but not exceeding the annual appropriation therefor.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Town Physician to attend and treat such needy persons as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Public Welfare and Board of Selectmen; to perform such professional services as may be required by the Board of Health and such other departments of the Town requiring his services; and to perform such other professional duties and services as may from time to time be prescribed by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 3. Such appointment shall not bar the Town Physician from the general practice of his profession.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 22. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay this Article on the table.

Article 23. To see if the Town will amend the By-Law for the Construction of Buildings by adding at the end of Section 36, the following new section to be known as Section 36A.

"36A. All new or remodeled buildings to be used as stores and having a basement, shall have one eight (8) by eight (8) inch opening in the floor for every five hundred (500) square feet of floor space, covered with a glass plate the thickness of the top floor and located at points which will be accessible to the fire department in case of a fire in the basement. The space directly below these glass covered openings shall be free from all obstructions which might interfere with the use of a cellar pipe.'

Board of Selectmen.

Article 23. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the By-Law of the Town for the construction of buildings be and the



same hereby is amended by adding at the end of Section 36 thereof, the following new section to be known as Section 36A:

Section 36A. All new or remodeled buildings to be used as stores and having a basement shall have one eight (8) by eight (8) inch opening in the floor for every 500 square feet of floor space, covered with a glass plate the thickness of the top floor and located at points which will be accessible to the fire department in case of a fire in the basement. The space directly below these glass covered openings shall be free from all obstructions which may interfere with the use of a cellar pipe.

Article 24. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide for the purchase of materials for Town, County, State and Federal unemployment relief projects, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 24. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of materials to be used in connection with Town, State and Federal unemployment relief and other projects, such sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the settlement of the litigation of Ida C. Smith against the Town for damages resulting from an accident which occurred on February 3, 1930, on the Southerly side of Pleasant Street, and to see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate therefor, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Law Committee.

Article 25. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the Law Committee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to settle the litigation of Ida Smith against the Town for damages resulting from an accident which occurred on February 3, 1930, on the Southerly side of Pleasant Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen hundred and sixty (\$1360.00) dollars for such settlement.

Article 26. To see if the Town will authorize the Planning Board to make a study of the Zoning By-Law of the Town in connection with Chapter 269 of the Acts of 1933, being an Act Revising the Municipal Zoning Laws and to make report at subsequent Town meeting, including in said report such recommendations as they deem necessary relative to revision of the present Town Zoning Law in so far as the same may be inconsistent with the requirements of said Act, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Planning Board.

Article 26. On motion of Philip R. White, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate for the development of Storm Water Drainage, the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00), or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 27. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the sum of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars be raised and appropriated for the development of Storm Water Drainage.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, (\$4,500.00), for the purchase of new equipment for the highway department, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 28. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the sum of four thousand five hundred (\$4,500.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of new equipment for the Highway Department.

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for the purchase of new equipment, to be used for Snow Removal, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 29. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, that the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of new equipment to be used for Snow Removal, the same was not voted.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of a portion of Grove Street, such highway being relocated or altered in accordance with plan duly approved by the Board of Public Works and filed in the office of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the Town will accept the relocation or alteration of a portion of Grove Street as shown on said plan, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 30. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of a portion of Grove Street

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading, having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highway be laid out, relocated or altered, as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof, and of a

hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and here heard all persons who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as a public highway for the use of the Town, a portion of Grove Street.

The boundaries and measurements of said public highway as so laid out are as follows:

### First Section

The Easterly line of Grove Street as hereby altered starts at a point on the Northerly side line of Intervale Terrace, said point being N 75 degrees—37'—30" E., a distance of 47.06 feet, measured along the prolongation of the said Northerly line of Intervale Terrace from the Easterly side line of Lowell Street, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned:

From thence the said Easterly line runs with a curve to the right on a radius of 62.56 feet, a length of 80.69 feet to a point of compound curvature:

Thence with another curve to the right on a radius of 341.38 feet, a length of 122.16 feet to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 9 degrees—58' —20" W., a distance of 395.18 feet to a point of curve:

The line to this point passes through land of Charles F. Bessom, Frank L. Edgerley and Frank A. Bessom.

Thence with a curve to the right, having a radius of 240.00 feet, a length of 146.63 feet through land of the said Bessom, said Edgerley and said Bessom, and land of William H. Becker to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 25 degrees—02' E., a distance of 151.85 feet through land of the said Becker and land of Chester D. Stevens to a point of curve:

Thence with a curve to the right, having a radius of 600.00 feet, a length of 171.39 feet through land of the said Stevens, land of Rose C. Kerr and land of Thomas H. Ratchford, to a point of tangent:

Thence turning and running in a Northwesterly direction across Grove Street, a distance of 40.00 feet, to a point of curve at land of Mary A. Fye Heirs and Devises:

Thence with a curve to the left having a radius of 640.00 feet, a length of 182.82 feet through the land of said Fye Heirs and Devises, Annie Garcelon Freeman and Rita W. Emerson, to a point of tangent:

Thence S. 25 degrees—02' —00" W., a distance of 151.85 feet through land of said Emerson and Leafie F. Dustin to a point of curve;

Thence with a curve to the left, having a radius of 280.00 feet, a length of 171.07 feet, through land of said Dustin, and land of Benjamin J. and Marion A. Downs to a point of tangent:

Thence S. 9 degrees —58' —20" W., a distance of 372.12 feet through

and by lands of said Downs, and by land of Nellie P. Beaton to a point of curvature; said point conforming to a County Alteration of 1915 as shown on plan hereafter referred to:

Thence with a curve to the right, having a radius of 26.15 feet, a length of 65.63 feet, still by land of said Beaton, to a point of tangent situated on the Easterly side line of Lowell Street, and the Southerly end of the first section as hereby described.

The above lines describe the first section of Grove Street as re-located in this layout.

### **Second Section**

The second section is described as follows.

The Easterly line of said second section begins at a point marking the Southeasterly boundary of the relocation of Grove Street, of 1934, said point being located at the intersection of Forest Street at land of Melora C. Shepard.

Thence S. 44 degrees —03' —10" E., a distance of 88.90 feet to an angle point:

Thence S. 51 degrees —30' —30" E., a distance of 94.25 feet to a point of curve, said last two-described lines being by lands of said Shepard:

Thence with a curve to the right, having a radius of 500.00 feet, a length of 231.24 feet through lands of said Shepard, Alvina Pettine and Angelo Zanni to a point of tangent:

Thence S. 19 degrees —16' —50" E., a distance of 174.48 feet through lands of said Zanni, said Pettine and the Woburn Co-operative Bank to a point:

Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction across Grove Street a distance of 40.00 feet to a point on the westerly side of Grove Street at land of Benjamin F. and Daisy E. Hodges, said last-described line being the Southerly boundary of the second section as hereby re-located:

The Westerly line of said Section begins at the above-described point and runs N. 19 degrees —16' —50" W., a distance of 174.48 feet through land of said Hodges and a portion of Grove Street, hitherto used for highway purposes to a point of curve:

Thence with a curve to the left, having a radius of 460.00 feet, a length of 258.74 feet, partly through said Grove Street and partly through land of Mary A. Fyfe, Heirs and Devises to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 51 degrees —30' —30" W., a distance of 96.36 feet still through land of said Fyfe Heirs and Devises to an angle point:

Thence N. 44 degrees —03' —10" W., a distance of 91.51 feet still through land of said Fyfe Heirs and Devises to the Southwesterly

boundary of the 1934 Relocation of Grove Street as heretofore described:

Thence turning and running N. 45 degrees —56' 50" a distance of 40.00 feet across Grove Street to the point of beginning.

The above-described lines for both sections being more fully shown on a plan entitled "Plan Showing Relocation of Portion of Grove Street, Reading, Mass." made under date of February, 1935, Board of Public Works, Alexander Birnie, Superintendent, said plan being a part of this report.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking or abandonment to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration, so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highway shall thereafter be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM  
WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH  
ROBERT E. FOWLE  
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works, Town of Reading.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of a portion of Grove Street and to adopt the recommendation therein contained.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of the South-Westerly corner of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street, such highways being relocated or altered in accordance with plans duly approved by the Board of Public Works and filed in the office of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the Town will accept the relocation or alteration of the South-Westerly corner of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street, as shown on said plan, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 31. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of the Southwesterly corner of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street.

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highway be laid out, relocated or altered as and

in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as a public highway for the use of the Town, the southwesterly corner of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street.

The boundaries and measurements of said public highways as so laid out, relocated or altered are as follows:

Description of Taking: Millard F. and H. Ella Charles to the inhabitants of the Town of Reading:

Beginning at the northeasterly corner of this taking on Bancroft Avenue and at land of Lillian M. Manning.

Thence S 4 degrees—18' W., a distance of 30.78 feet to a point of tangent and at the end of this rounding:

Thence turning and running Northerly by land of said grantees on a curved line having a radius of 80.00 feet, a length of 34.46 feet to land of said Manning:

Thence S. 65 degrees—57' —30" E., a distance of 7.77 feet by land of said Manning to the point of beginning at Bancroft Avenue. Containing 70 square feet.

The above-described lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled "Alteration of the Southwest corner of Lowell Street and Bancroft Avenue, Reading, Mass., January, 1935, Board of Public Works, Alexander Birnie, Superintendent", said plan being a part of this description.

Description of Taking: Lillian M. Manning to the Inhabitants of the Town of Reading:

Beginning at the point of curvature caused by this rounding on the Southerly side of Lowell Street at land of Lillian M. Manning, said point of curvature being S. 46 degrees—42' E., a distance of 64.04 feet from an angle bound on the Southerly side of Lowell Street as laid out and bounded by the County Commissioners in 1915:

Thence S. 46 degrees—42' E., a distance of 38.16 feet by said Lowell Street to Bancroft Avenue.

Thence S. 4 degrees —18' W., a distance of 7.38 feet by said Bancroft Avenue to land of Millard F. and H. Ella Charles:

Thence N. 65 degrees — 57' — 30" W., a distance of 7.77 feet by land of the said Charles to land of this grantee:

Thence turning and running in a Northwesterly direction by land of this grantee on a curved line having a radius of 80.00 feet, a length of 36.75 feet to the point of beginning at Lowell Street. Containing 134.4 square feet.



The above-described lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled "Alteration of the Southwest corner of Lowell Street and Bancroft Avenue, Reading, Mass., January, 1935, Board of Public Works, Alexander Birnie, Superintendent", said plan being a part of this description.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town that said public highway shall thereafter be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM

WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH

ROBERT E. FOWLE

A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works,  
Town of Reading.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of the Southwesterly corner of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street and to adopt the recommendation therein contained.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted to adjourn to meet in Security Hall on Monday evening, March 18, 1935.

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## ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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Security Hall, Woburn St., March 18, 1935.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of the corner of West and Willow Streets, said corner being relocated or altered in accordance with plan duly approved by the Board of Public Works and filed in the office of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the town will accept the relocation or alteration of the corner of West and Willow Streets, as shown on said plan, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 32. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of the corner of West and Willow Streets.

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highway be laid out, relocated or altered as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as a public highway for the use of the town, the corner of West and Willow Streets.

The boundaries and measurements of said public highways as so laid out, relocated or altered are as follows:

Commencing at a point on the Westerly side line of said Willow Street and by land of the said Florence T. Wiberg, said point being S. 64, degrees—37'—50" W., a distance of 52.65 feet from a point of intersection of the Easterly side line of said Willow Street with the Northerly side line of Summer Avenue as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Proposed Changes at the Junction of Summer Avenue, West and Willow Streets", made under date of June, 1931 and approved by the Board of Public Works and filed with the Town Clerk of said Town of Reading under date of August 3, 1931:

From thence the line runs S. 13 degrees—03'—10" W., by the said westerly side line of Willow Street, a distance of 34.43 feet to a stake at the corner of West Street:

Thence Northwesterly by said West Street a distance of 47.53 feet to a stake at an angle in the wall:

Thence by a slight angle to the right and still running Northwesterly, a distance of 17.04 feet to a stake at an angle in the wall:

Thence by a slight angle to the right and still running Northwesterly, a distance of 21.44 feet to a drill hole at an angle in the wall:

Thence by a slight angle to the right and running N. 24 degrees—30" W., still by said West Street a distance of 30.70 feet to a point on the Easterly side line of said West Street:

Thence by turning and running in a general Southeasterly direction through land of the said Florence T. Wiberg by a curved line and on a radius of 68.90 feet a length of 109.27 feet to the point of beginning at said Willow Street. Containing 1500 square feet, more or less.

The above-described lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled "Plan showing Proposed Widening at Corner of West and Willow Streets, Reading, Mass." made under date of February, 1935 by said Board of Public Works, to which plan reference is hereby made.



We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highway shall therefor be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM  
WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH  
ROBERT E. FOWLE  
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works,  
Town of Reading.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of the corner of West and Willow Streets, and to adopt the recommendation therein contained.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of a portion of Franklin Street, such highway being relocated or altered in accordance with plan duly approved by the Board of Public Works and filed in the office of the Town Clerk, in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the Town will accept the relocation or alteration of a portion of Franklin Street as shown on said plan or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 33. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of a portion of Franklin Street.

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading, having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highway be laid out, relocated or altered, as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof; and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as a public highway, for the use of the town, a portion of Franklin Street.

The boundaries and measurements of said public highway as so laid out, relocated or altered are as follows:

The northerly side line of said Franklin Street as hereby relocated

begins at a Massachusetts State Highway Stone Bound at land of Elmer R. Batchelder:

Thence the northerly line runs on a curve to the right with a radius of 39.07 feet, through land of said Elmer R. Batchelder, a length of 57.84 feet to a point of tangent:

From thence the said northerly line runs S. 89 degrees—59'—30" W., partly by land of said Elmer R. Batchelder and partly by land of said Elmer R. Batchelder and partly within the limits of Franklin Street heretofore used for highway purposes, a distance of 302.88 feet to an angle point:

Thence S. 84 degrees—37'—30" W., partly within said limits of Franklin Street heretofore used for highway purposes, partly through land of Harold W. Batchelder and partly through land of William R. Emerson Heirs, a distance of 166.82 feet to a point of curve:

Thence turning and running S. 01 degree—54' 30" E., across Franklin Street, a distance of 40.0 feet to a point of curve located on the southerly side line of Franklin Street at land of Harold W. Batchelder.

The above-described line being the Westerly terminus of said Franklin Street as hereby relocated.

The southerly line of Franklin Street as hereby relocated is bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the point of curve above-described, the said Southerly line runs N. 84 degrees—37'—30" E., partly along a stone wall marking the present Southerly line of Franklin Street, and partly through lands of Harold W. Batchelder, Renie G. Batchelder and Harold W. Batchelder, a distance of 164.94 feet to an angle point:

Thence N. 89 degrees—59'—30" E., still through land of Renie G. Batchelder and Harold W. Batchelder, a distance of 303.19 feet to a point of curve:

Thence with a curve to the right on a radius of 27.95 feet across land of said Harold W. Batchelder, a length of 47.73 feet to a point of tangent, on the westerly line of Main Street:

Thence N. 04 degrees—44' 35" E., along said Westerly line of Main Street, a distance of 106.99 feet to the Massachusetts State Highway Stone Bound marking the point of beginning.

The above-described lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled, "Plan showing Relocation of Portion of Franklin Street, Reading, Mass., Board of Public Works", made under date of January, 1935, said plan being a part of this description.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person

or persons in their property by reason of the taking or abandonment to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration, so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highway shall thereafter be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM  
WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH  
ROBERT E. FOWLE  
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of a portion of Franklin Street and to adopt the recommendation therein contained.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works upon the laying out as a public highway of a private way known as Colburn Road, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, such highway being laid out in accordance with a plan duly approved by the Board of Survey and filed in the office of the Town Clerk in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the Town will accept the public way laid out by the Board of Public Works as Colburn Road, and to raise and appropriate for the said laying out and the construction of said way the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-One and 86/100 Dollars, (\$1,781.86) or what it will do in relation thereto.

Article 34. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying out of Colburn Road.

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a Town Way for the use of the Town, running North from Forest Street, substantially as, and in location of, the private way known as Colburn Road, the boundaries and measurements of said way as so laid out are as follows:

Colburn Road being a certain street or way in the Town of Reading running northerly from Forest Street and bounded and described as follows:

The Westerly line of said Colburn Road commences at a point on the northerly side of said Forest Street, said point being N. 51 degrees—13'—00" E., a distance of 13.34 feet from a stone bound set on the said northerly side line of Forest Street and at the easterly end of a curve, the radius of which is 357.79 feet.

From thence the said Westerly line runs by a curve with a radius of 20.00 feet across land of the Reading Co-operative Bank, a length of 28.59 feet to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 30 degrees—41'—30" W., by land of the said Reading Co-operative Bank, the several lands of William D. Irving, Luke P. and Amanda A. Fruntent, Rose A. Burns and Richard Saunders, a distance of 456.21 feet to an angle:

Thence N. 32 degrees—14'—50" W., by land of Horace M. Lothrop across the easterly end of a Private Way called Hurlburt Road, and thence by land of Dennis Denehy and land of Ella I. Cummings, a distance of 355.40 feet to a point of curve:

Thence by a curve to the left with a radius of 100.00 feet, through the land of the said Ella I. Cummings, a length of 66.87 feet to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 70 degrees—33'—40" W., by land of the said Ella I. Cummings and land of Frazier Johnston, a distance of 62.54 feet to a point of curve:

Thence by a curve to the right with a radius of 300.00 feet, a length of 392.80 feet to a point of reverse curve. This last-described curve is easterly of the westerly side line of said Colburn Road as shown on a "Plan of Reading Acres" developed by Charles P. Stockwell and surveyed by J. S. Crossman, C. E., dated, August, 1915:

Thence by a curve to the left with a radius of 30.00 feet, a length of 34.88 feet to a point of tangent on the southwesterly side line of a Private Way heretofore known as "Blanche Avenue" as shown on the above-described plan, by land the Town of Reading recently has taken for taxes from Walter Conant:

Thence N. 62 degrees—09'—10" W., by land of the said Town of Reading and land of Rosa B. Lanard, a distance of 159.61 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lanard's land and the terminus of this said Westerly line:

From thence the line runs at a right angle and runs N. 27 degrees—50'—50" E., a distance of 40.0 feet to the other side of said Colburn Road (formerly called Blanche Avenue) to land the Town of Reading recently has taken for taxes from Theodore F. Homer:

From thence the line runs S. 62 degrees—09'—10" E., by land of the said Town of Reading and land now or formerly of Laviss J. Burriss, a distance of 159.61 feet:

Thence by a curve to the right with a radius of 70.00 feet, a length of 81.38 feet to a point of reverse curve in land of Sadie A. Melville:

Thence by a curve to the left with a radius of 260.00 feet, through land of the said Sadie A. Melville a length of 340.43 feet:

Thence S. 70 degrees—33'—40" E., by land of the said Sadie A. Melville, a distance of 111.18 feet to an angle in a Private Way called Hill Crest Pass:

Thence S. 32 degrees—14'—50" E., by said Hill Crest Pass and by the several lands of Charles P. Stockwell, now or formerly, Maynard May, John and Catherine Brophy and Marion G. and John A. Roberts, a distance of 404.5 feet to an angle:

Thence S. 30 degrees—41'—30" E., by said land of Marion G. and John A. Roberts and the several lands of Flora Woodman, Odd Fellows Home of Connecticut, Frank H. and Blanche L. Gifford, Mary D. O'Brien and Mabel E. Wright, a distance of 445.38 feet:

Thence by a curve to the left with a radius of 20.00 feet through land of the said Mabel E. Wright a length of 34.24 feet to a point on the said Northerly side line of said Forest Street:

Thence S. 51 degrees—13'—00" W., by the said Northerly side line of said Forest Street, a distance of 80.80 feet to the point of beginning.

Said lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled "Plan and Profile of Colburn Road, Reading, Mass.," made under date of November, 1934 by Davis and Abbott, Civil Engineers, Reading, Mass., said plan being a part of this report.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessments of betterments and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Colburn Road and that the sum of one thousand seven hundred eighty-one and eighty-six one hun-

dredths dollars (\$1,781.86) be raised and appropriated for said laying out and for the construction of the said way.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM

WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH

ROBERT E. FOWLE

A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works,  
Town of Reading.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of Colburn Road and to adopt the recommendation therein contained, and to raise and appropriate for the laying out and the construction of the said way the sum of one thousand, seven hundred eighty-one and eighty-six one hundredths dollars (\$1,781.86).

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Board of Public Works upon the laying out as a public highway of a private way known as Winthrop Avenue, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, such highway being laid out in accordance with a plan duly approved by the Board of Survey and filed in the office of the Town Clerk in accordance with the statutory requirements, and to see if the Town will accept the public way laid out by the Board of Public Works as Winthrop Avenue, and to raise and appropriate for the said laying out and the construction of said way the sum of Three Hundred One and 75/100 Dollars (\$301.75) or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 35. Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of a portion of Winthrop Avenue.

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a Town Way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessments of betterments, substantially in the location herein-after described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then **and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the Town, running northerly from the acceptance of March, 1932, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Winthrop Avenue, the boundaries and measurements of said way as so laid out are as follows:**

**The Easterly line of said Winthrop Avenue as extended in this layout begins at a point at the Northerly terminus of the January, 1932 acceptance of a portion of Winthrop Avenue, at lands of Martha M.**



Towle and Francis L. and Lida K. Johnson and runs Northerly from thence on a bearing of N. 17 degrees—00'—50" W., a distance of 80.00 feet, by land of said Francis L. and Linda K. Johnson, to a point of curve:

Thence on a curve to the right, having a radius of 20.00 feet a length of 31.42 feet across land of said Johnsons' to a point of tangent on the southerly line of Hartshorn (Private) St.;

Thence N. 17 degrees—00'—50" W., across said private way known as Hartshorn St., a distance of 40.00 feet to a point on the Northerly line of said Hartshorn Street:

Thence on a curve to the right having a radius of 20.00 feet, across land of Mermet V. Dykens and Elmer A. Dykens, a length of 31.42 feet to a point of tangent:

Thence N. 17 degrees—00'—50" W., still by lands of said Dykens' a distance of 190.00 feet to a point marking the northeasterly corner of this layout:

Thence Westerly across Winthrop Avenue a distance of 40.00 feet to a point at land of Prudence B. Steeves, said last-described line being the Northerly terminus of this layout:

Thence the Westerly line runs S. 17 degrees—00'—50" E., by land of said Steeves, George M. Crouse, and said Steeves, a distance of 190.00 feet to a point of curve:

Thence on a curve to the right, having a radius of 20.00 feet, across land of Prudence B. Steeves, a length of 31.42 feet to a point of tangent on the northerly line of said private way known as Hartshorn Street:

Thence S. 17 degrees—00'—50" E., across said private way a distance of 40.00 feet to a point of curve:

Thence on a curve to the right having a radius of 20.00 feet across land of Forrest E. Carter and Bessie E. Carter a length of 31.42 feet to a point of tangent:

Thence S. 17 degrees—00'—50" E., still by lands of said Carters, a distance of 80.00 feet to a point marking the boundary of lands of said Carters and Walter W. and Dorothea C. Peters:

Thence turning and running in an Easterly direction a distance of 40.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The above-described lines being more fully shown on a plan entitled, "Portion of Winthrop Avenue, Reading, Mass., made under date of February, 1935, Board of Public Works, Alexander Birnie, Supt.," said plan being a part of this description.

We determine that no damage will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are

done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Winthrop Avenue, and that the sum of three hundred one and seventy-five one hundredths dollars (\$301.75), be raised and appropriated for said laying out and for the construction of the said way.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM  
WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH  
ROBERT E. FOWLE  
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works,  
Town of Reading.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of Winthrop Avenue and to adopt the recommendation therein contained and to raise and appropriate for the laying out and the construction of the said way the sum of three hundred one and seventy-five one hundredths dollars (\$301.75).

Article 36. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to sell upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, two small parcels of land adjoining property owned by Adelbert H. Carter in Birch Meadow so-called, and to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the Town, deeds conveying such property to the said Adelbert H. Carter, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 36. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Board of Public Works be and hereby are authorized and empowered to sell upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, two small parcels of land adjoining property owned by Adelbert H. Carter in Birch Meadow so-called, and said Board be and they hereby are further authorized and empowered to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the Town, deeds and such other instruments which may be necessary conveying such property to said Adelbert H. Carter.

Article 37. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, a narrow strip of land belonging to Adelbert H. Carter, in Birch Meadow so-called, for the purpose of the further development of the Birch

Meadow Playground, and to see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for such purchase or taking or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 37. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the Board of Public Works be and hereby is authorized and empowered to acquire by purchase or by taking by eminent domain, a narrow strip of land belonging to Adelbert H. Carter in Birch Meadow, so-called, for the purpose of the further development of the Birch Meadow Playground, and to raise and appropriate for such purchase or taking the sum of one (\$1.00) Dollar.

One hundred sixty-two voted "Yes" and none "No".

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purpose of improving and constructing West Street from the end of the 1934 construction at Prescott St. to Woburn St. thence easterly on Woburn St. toward Reading Square, under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 38. On motion of Robert B. Mount, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 39. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of improving and constructing a portion of Lowell Street, under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00), or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 39. On motion of Robert B. Mount, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 40. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the purpose of improving and constructing Main Street from Washington Street to the Boston and Maine R. R. Crossing, under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00), or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 40. On motion of Robert B. Mount, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 41. To see what sum the Town will raise by borrowing or otherwise and appropriate for the extension of the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant and the purchase of

water departmental equipment and appurtenances or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 41. Harold W. Putnam moved that the sum of sixty-five thousand (\$65,000.00) dollars be and the same hereby is raised and appropriated for the extension of the water system by the construction of an aeration and filter plant and the necessary appurtenances thereto, such construction and work to be performed under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, said sum to be used in whole or in part in connection with any sum provided by the Commonwealth, Federal Government, or otherwise for unemployment relief or other projects and that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow said sum and to issue therefor bonds or notes of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and Acts amendatory thereof and in addition hereto, so that the whole of said loan shall be paid in not more than twenty (20) years or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Board of Selectmen may determine, and such bonds or notes shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Selectmen.

The above being a bond issue the vote was "Yes" 123 and "No", 123. The same not being a two thirds vote the motion was lost. 252 were present in the hall at the time the vote was taken.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to petition the Legislature to amend Section 4 of Chapter 118 of the Acts of 1921, by providing for the appointment of the Superintendent of Public Works from a list of eligibles to be determined by the Civil Service Commissioner of the Commonwealth after examination, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 42. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 43. To see what action the Town will take regarding the installation of additional street lights on the public streets during 1935.

Municipal Light Department.

Article 43. On motion of Henry R. Johnson, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 43 be referred to the Municipal Light Board, and that said Board be, and it hereby is authorized to install such additional street lights as in its judgment are required and to make such changes in the size, type and location of existing street lights as it may deem advisable, the expense of installing additional lights to be paid from the Depreciation Fund and the expense of any changes in existing lights to be paid from the income of the Plant.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to extend and enlarge the Municipal Light Plant by the construction of a new switchboard and the installation of additional feeder regulators at the Power Station and raise and appropriate therefor, by borrowing or otherwise, the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) or what it will do in relation thereto.

**Municipal Light Board.**

Article 44. On motion of Henry R. Johnson, it was voted that the Municipal Light Board be, and it hereby is authorized to extend and enlarge the Municipal Light Plant by the construction of a new switchboard and the installation of additional feeder regulators at the Power Station, and that there be raised and appropriated for the above purpose, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, in addition to the amount which may be available in the Depreciation Fund, to be expended by the Manager of Municipal Lighting under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board; and that the Treasurer be, and he hereby is authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow said sum of twenty thousand dollars and to issue therefor bonds or notes of the Town, such bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and all amendments thereof and additions thereto, so that the whole loans shall be payable in not more than twenty years from the date of the first bond or note issued, or at such earlier date as the Treasurer and Selectmen shall determine.

169 voted "Yes" and 1 voted "No", the same being more than a two thirds vote necessary on a bond issue.

Article 45. To see whether the town will adopt the following by-law or any modification thereof for the purpose of regulating billboards, signs or other advertising devices:

No person, firm, association or corporation shall erect, display or maintain a billboard, sign, or other outdoor advertising device in the Town of Reading, except those exempted by the last paragraph of (h) and the fourth paragraph of (i) of this by-law:

(a) Within fifty (50) feet of any public way.

(b) Within three hundred (300) feet of any public park, playground or other public grounds, if within view of any portion of the same.

(c) Nearer than fifty (50) feet to any other such billboard, sign, or other advertising device, unless such billboards, signs or other advertising devices are placed back to back.

(d) On any location at the corner of any public ways and within a radius of one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the point where the center lines of such ways intersect.



(e) Nearer than one hundred (100) feet to any public way, if within view of any portion of the same, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of eight (8) feet or a height of four (4) feet.

(f) Nearer than three hundred (300) feet to any public way, if within view of any portion of the same, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of twenty-five (25) feet or a height of twelve (12) feet

(g) In any event, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of fifty (50) feet or a height of twelve (12) feet; except that the Board of Selectmen may permit the erection of billboards, signs, or other advertising devices which do not exceed forty (40) feet in length and fifteen (15) feet in height if not nearer than three hundred (300) feet to the boundary line of any public way.

(h) No billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall be erected, displayed, or maintained in any block in which one-half of the buildings on both sides of the street are used exclusively for residential purposes; except that this provision shall not apply if written consent of the owners of a majority of the residential and vacant frontage on both sides of the street in such block is first obtained and is filed with the the Board of Selectmen, together with the application for a permit for such billboard, sign, or other advertising device.

Provided, however, that the foregoing provisions (a) to (h), both inclusive, shall not apply to districts which the Board of Selectmen may determine are of a business character.

(i) No billboard, sign or other advertising device shall be erected, displayed, or maintained until a permit therefor has been issued by the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to the following provisions.

An applicant for a permit to erect a billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall file with the Board of Selectmen, a written application therefor, together with a sketch showing the exact location and the written consent of the owner of the property upon which such billboard, sign, or other advertising device is proposed to be erected, displayed, or maintained, accompanied by an examination fee of \$2. Upon receipt of the foregoing, the Board of Selectmen shall hold a public hearing on said application, notice of which shall be given by posting the same in three or more public places in the Town of Reading at least one week before the date of such hearing, and upon the holding of such hearing, the Board of Selectmen shall within ten days thereafter grant or refuse such permit.

All permits granted under this Section shall expire June 30 of the calendar year following the date of the application. Application for the renewal of the permit granted under this Section shall be made not



later than thirty days prior to the expiration of such permit and shall be accompanied by a fee of \$2, to be known as the renewal fee, and within 2 weeks of the date of the filing of such renewal application, the Board of Selectmen shall post notice of such application in three or more public places in said Town of Reading. Every permit granted under this Section for the erection or maintenance of an advertising device shall be conditioned by its terms upon the compliance by the permittee with all requirements of state and municipal regulations applying thereto.

This by-law does not apply to signs or other devices on or in the rolling stock, stations, subways, or structures of or used by common carriers except on bridges or viaducts or abutments thereof, or to devices which advertise or indicate either the person occupying the premises in question or the business transacted thereon, or advertise the property itself or any part thereof as for sale or to let and which contain no other advertising matter; and provided further that this by-law shall not apply to billboards, signs, or other advertising devices legally maintained at the time of its approval by the Attorney-General, until one year from the first day of July following such approval.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100), and whoever after conviction for such violation unlawfully maintains such billboards, sign, or other advertising device for twenty days thereafter shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500).

If any provision of this by-law is declared unconstitutional or illegal by final judgment, order or decree of the Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth, the validity of the remaining provisions of this by-law shall not be affected thereby.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 45. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the following By-Law for the purpose of regulating billboards, signs or other advertising devices be and the same hereby is adopted:

No person, firm, association or corporation shall erect, display or maintain a billboard, sign, or other outdoor advertising device in the Town of Reading, except those exempted by the last paragraph of (h) and the fourth paragraph of (i) of this By-Law:

(a) Within fifty (50) feet of any public way.

(b) Within three hundred (300) feet of any public park, playground or other public grounds, if within view of any portion of the same.

(c) Nearer than fifty (50) feet to any other such billboard, sign, or other advertising device, unless such billboards, signs or other advertising devices are placed back to back.

(d) On any location at the corner of any public ways and within a radius of one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the point where the center lines of such ways intersect.

(e) Nearer than one hundred (100) feet to any public way, if within view of any portion of the same, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of eight (8) feet or a height of four (4) feet.

(f) Nearer than three hundred (300) feet to any public way, if within view of any portion of the same, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of twenty-five (25) feet or a height of twelve (12) feet.

(g) In any event, if such billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall exceed a length of fifty (50) feet or a height of twelve (12) feet; except that the Board of Selectmen may permit the erection of billboards, signs, or other advertising devices which do not exceed forty (40) feet in length and fifteen (15) feet in height if not nearer than three hundred (300) feet to the boundary line of any public way.

(h) No billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall be erected, displayed, or maintained in any block in which one-half of the buildings on both sides of the street are used exclusively for residential purposes; except that this provision shall not apply if written consent of the owners of a majority of the residential and vacant frontage on both sides of the street in such block is first obtained and is filed with the Board of Selectmen, together with the application for a permit for such billboard, sign, or other advertising device.

Provided, however, that the foregoing provisions (a) to (h), both inclusive, shall not apply to districts which the Board of Selectmen may determine are of a business character.

(i) No billboard, sign or other advertising device shall be erected, displayed or maintained until a permit therefor has been issued by the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to the following provisions.

An applicant for a permit to erect a billboard, sign, or other advertising device shall file with the Board of Selectmen, a written application therefor, together with a sketch showing the exact location and the written consent of the owner of the property upon which such billboard, sign, or other advertising device is proposed to be erected, displayed, or maintained, accompanied by an examination fee of \$2.00. Upon receipt of the foregoing, the Board of Selectmen shall hold a public hearing on said application, notice of which shall be given by posting the same in three or more public places in the town of Reading at least one week before the date of such hearing, and upon the holding of such hearing, the Board of Selectmen shall within ten days thereafter grant or refuse such permit.

All permits granted under this section shall expire June 30 of the calendar year following the date of the application. Application for the renewal of the permit granted under this Section shall be made not later than thirty days prior to the expiration of such permit and shall be accompanied by a fee of \$2.00 to be known as the renewal fee, and within two weeks of the date of the filing of such renewal application the Board of Selectmen shall post notice of such application in three or more public places in said Town of Reading. Every permit granted under this Section for the erection or maintenance of an advertising device shall be conditioned by its terms upon the compliance by the permittee with all requirements of state and municipal regulations applying thereto.

This By-Law does not apply to signs or other devices on or in the rolling stock, stations, subways, or structures of or used by common carriers except on bridges or viaducts or abutments thereof, or to devices which advertise or indicate either the person occupying the premises in question or the business transacted thereon, or advertise the property itself or any part thereof as for sale or to let and which shall contain no other advertising matter; and provided further than this By-Law shall not apply to billboards, signs or other advertising devices legally maintained at the time of its approval by the Attorney-General until one year from the first day of July following such approval.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this By-Law shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and whoever after conviction for such violation unlawfully maintains such billboards, sign, or other advertising device for twenty days thereafter shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

If any provision of this By-Law is declared unconstitutional or illegal by final judgment, order or decree of the Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

135 voted "Yes" and 1 voted "No".

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, receipts from the sale of lots and graves in Laurel Hill Cemetery the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for permanent development of Laurel Hill Cemetery, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Cemetery Trustees.

Article 46. On motion of Philip H. Tirrell, it was voted that the Town appropriate from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, receipts from the sale of lots and graves in Laurel Hill Cemetery, the sum of four hun-

dred dollars (\$400.00) for permanent development of Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Article 47. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for further development of the Town Forest, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Committee on Re-forestation.

Article 47. On motion of O. O. Ordway, it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five (75) dollars to be used for the further development of the Town Forest.

Article 48. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for Child Welfare Work, to be expended under the direction of the Reading Visiting Nurse Association, and the Board of Health, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Inez H. Damon and others.

Article 48. On motion of Leon G. Bent, it was voted that the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) be raised and appropriated for Child Welfare Work, to be expended under the direction of the Reading Visiting Nurse Association and the Board of Health.

Article 49. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to renew the present lease for suitable headquarters for Reading Post No. 62 of the American Legion, for a further term of one year, and will raise and appropriate therefor the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or what it will do in relation thereto.

William Campbell and Others.

Article 49. On motion of William F. Campbell, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, empowered and directed to renew or extend the present lease providing for suitable quarters for Reading Post No. 62 of the American Legion for a further term of one year, and to sign and execute said renewal or extension thereof in the name and behalf of the Town of Reading, and that the sum of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars be and hereby is raised and appropriated therefor as rent for such premises.

Article 50. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) for the purpose of installing a fire alarm box on County Road, or what it will do in relation thereto.

William Roberts and Others.

Article 50. On motion of Robert B. Mount, it was voted to indefinitely postpone this article.

Article 2. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to accept the reports of Town Officers and Special Committees as printed.

On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to adjourn sine die.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Security Hall, Woburn St., May 1, 1935.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles. The warrant was partially read when on motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to dispense with further reading of the warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then duly read.

In the absence of the Moderator, on motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was unanimously voted to appoint Samuel H. Davis as Temporary Moderator.

Article 1. To hear and act upon reports of Town Officers and special committees and determine what instructions will be given Town Officers and special committees.

Article 1. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay this article on the table.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1935, or take any action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 2. On motion of J. Warren Killam Jr., it was voted that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1935, the sum of \$33,000.00 and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, said note or notes to be paid in not more than ten years or at such times as may be directed by the Emergency Finance Board named in Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933.

The proceeds of the loan shall be applied to meeting the appropriations made for public welfare and the town share of the cost of Emergency Relief Administration projects.

53 voted "Yes" and 1 voted "No".

On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay Article 2 on the table.

Article 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant and the necessary appurtenances thereto and provide for the payment of the cost thereof, in whole or in part, by the issue of bonds and notes of the Town, or by direct appropriation, or by grant or loan under the National Industrial Recovery Act, so-called, and to see if the Town will authorize the proper officers of the Town to apply for such grant or loan and to do all things necessary to obtain



such grant or loan in accordance with the National Industrial Recovery Act, so-called, and Chapter 366 of the Acts of 1933 or any other appurtenant statutes, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 3. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the sum of sixty-five thousand (\$65,000.00) dollars be and the same hereby is raised and appropriated for the extension of the water system by the construction of an aeration and filter plant and the necessary appurtenances thereto, such construction and work to be performed under the supervision of the Board of Public Works, and that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow such sum and to issue therefor bonds and notes of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and acts amendatory thereof and in addition thereto, so that the whole of said loan shall be paid in not more than twenty (20) years or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Board of Selectmen may determine, and such bonds and notes shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Selectmen.

60 voted "Yes" and 2 "No".

Article 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) for the purpose of improving and constructing West Street from the end of the 1934 construction at Prescott Street to Woburn Street, thence easterly on Woburn Street toward Reading Square, under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam that the sum of four thousand (\$4,000.00) dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing, improving and constructing West Street from Prescott Street, being the end of the 1934 construction, to Woburn Street, thence Easterly on Woburn Street, toward Reading Square, under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate the sum of eight thousand (\$8,000.00) dollars, the motion was lost.

27 voted "Yes" and 47 voted "No".

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purpose of improving and constructing a portion of Lowell Street under Section 34, Chapter 90 of the General Laws, providing the State and County appropriate six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00), or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.



Article 5. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted to lay this article on the table.

Article 6. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of supplies and for the supervised play in the parks and playgrounds, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 6. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, that the sum of six hundred (\$600.00) dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of supplies and for supervised play in the parks and playgrounds, such sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Public Works, the same was not voted.

On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to adjourn sine die.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

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### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Security Hall, Woburn St., August 19, 1935.

A Town meeting was held at time and place called in the warrant and was called to order by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles in the absence of the Moderator. Samuel H. Davis was duly elected Moderator. The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk when it was voted to dispense with further reading except the Constables' Return, which was duly read. Then the meeting proceeded to act on the following articles.

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and special committees and determine what instructions will be given Town Officers and special committees.

Article 1. On motion of Newell H. Morton, it was voted to lay this article on the table.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell on such terms and conditions as they may determine, any and all real estate acquired by the Town for taxes, wherein such title has been duly perfected as provided by law, and to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name and behalf of the Town, deeds and such other instruments which may be necessary, conveying such property to the purchasers thereof, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 2. On motion of Newell H. Morton, it was voted that the Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, empowered and instructed to sell on such terms and conditions as they may determine any and all real estate acquired by the Town for taxes wherein such title has been duly perfected as provided by law and that the Select-

men be and they hereby are further authorized, empowered and instructed to sign, seal, acknowledge and deliver in the name of the Town, deeds and such other instruments which may be necessary conveying such property to the purchasers thereof.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote passed on May 1, 1935, under Article 3 in the Special Town Warrant with reference to raising and appropriating the sum of \$65,000 for the purpose of extending the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant and the necessary appurtenances thereto, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 3. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the vote passed on May 1, 1935, under Article 3 in the Special Town Warrant relative to raising and appropriating the sum of \$65,000.00 for the purpose of extending the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Article 4. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the purpose of extending the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant, and the necessary appurtenances thereto, and to see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Works to petition the Federal Government for a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for said purpose and to accept such grant and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made therefor, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Public Works.

Article 4. On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the sum of \$94,250.00 be and the same is raised and appropriated for the purpose of extending the water system by the installation of an aeration and filter plant, and the necessary appurtenances thereto, in cooperation with the Federal Government under the National Industrial Recovery Act or the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$94,250.00, and to issue bonds and notes of the Town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 and the Federal Act applicable thereto, said bonds and notes to be payable in not more than twenty years or at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board.

All money received from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied to meet the cost of said project or to the loan herein authorized or the amount to be borrowed shall be reduced by the amount of the grant received and applied to the cost of the

project and the Board of Public Works be and hereby are authorized to take such action as may be necessary to secure from the Federal Government a grant of money under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 for the above purpose and the Town hereby accepts such grant subject to applicable Federal regulations.

Twenty eight (28) voted "Yes" and nine (9) voted "No".

Voted to adjourn sine die.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

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### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Security Hall, Woburn St., October 7, 1935.

A Town Meeting was held at time and place specified in the foregoing warrant and was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard. The Town Clerk partially read the warrant when on motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to dispense with further reading except the Constable's Return which was duly read by the Town Clerk, Millard F. Charles. Then the meeting proceeded to act on the following articles.

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and special committees and determine what instructions will be given Town Officers and special committees.

Article 1. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay this article on the table.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for meeting the Town's share of the cost of E. R. A. or W. P. A. projects or of any other relief projects, and provide that said appropriation be met from the proceeds of the loan authorized under Article 14 of the warrant for the annual Town Meeting of 1935, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 2. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that there be appropriated the sum of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of meeting the Town's share of the cost of any E. R. A. or W. P. A. projects and the Town's expenses incidental thereto or of any other relief

projects, the sum so appropriated to be transferred from the proceeds of the loan issued under authority of the vote passed under Article 14 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1935.

On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to adjourn sine die.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

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## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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Security Hall, Woburn St., December 30, 1935.

A Town Meeting was held at time and place as specified in the warrant and was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard. The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk, when on motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant except the Constable's Return which was duly read by the Town Clerk.

Article 1. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and special committees and determine what instructions will be given Town Officers and special committees.

Article 1. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to lay Article 1 on the table.

Article 2. To see what sums the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds for the following accounts: Fire Department Maintenance, Fire Stations Maintenance, Soldiers' Relief, Snow and Ice Removal, School Department Maintenance, Mothers' Aid, Temporary Aid, Aid, Board and Care, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen.

Article 2. On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted that the following sums be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the Interest Account for the following accounts:

Fire Department Maintenance .....	\$ 600.00
Fire Stations Maintenance .....	50.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	800.00
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	\$ 1,450.00

and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said amounts from the interest account to the above named accounts.

On motion of Harold W. Putnam, it was voted that the sum of

\$2,000.00 be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the Interest Account to the Snow and Ice Removal Account and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said amount from the Interest Account to the Snow and Ice Removal Account.

On motion of Arthur W. Coolidge, it was voted that the sum of \$3,500 be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the School Department Salaries Account for the School Department Maintenance Account, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said amount to the said account.

On motion of Myrtle L. Leman, it was voted that the following sums be appropriated from the unexpended balance in the Interest Account for the following accounts:

Aid, Board and Care .....	\$ 7,117.22
Temporary Aid .....	195.58
Mothers' Aid .....	463.04
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	\$ 7,775.84

and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer the said amounts from the Interest Account to the above-named accounts.

On motion of J. Warren Killam, Jr., it was voted to adjourn sine die.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

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**NOTICE TO PARENTS, HOUSEWIVES, PHYSICIANS  
AND MIDWIVES**

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**Your Attention is Called to the Section Below Taken from the Revised  
Laws—Blank Forms for Return of Births Can Be Obtained of  
the Town Clerk**

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**SECTION 3, CHAPTER 444, ACTS 1897**

Section 3. Physicians and Midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the month next preceding, at

whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name of the child, if it has any, the sex and color of the child, the name, place of birth and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate the name of the father shall not be stated, unless at the joint request in writing of both father and mother, which requests shall be filed with the returns of births. The fee of the physicians or midwives shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported and shall be paid by the city or town in which the deport is made, upon presentation of certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been reported in conformity with the requirements of this section. Any physician or midwife neglecting to report such list for ten days after it is due shall for each offense forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6, CHAPTER 444, ACTS 1897

Section 6. Parents and householders shall within forty (40) days after the date of a birth occurring in his house give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.

DOGS LICENSED, JAN. 1, 1935 TO DEC. 31, 1935

446 Males @ \$2.00 .....	\$	892.00
90 Females @ \$5.00 .....		450.00
182 Spayed Females @ \$2.00 .....		364.00
2 Breeder's Licenses @ \$25.00 .....		50.00
	\$	1,756.00
720 License Fees @ 20c .....		144.00
Balance Due .....	\$	1,612.00
April 5, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....	\$	433.80
May 3, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		609.80
May 31, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		102.60
July 12, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		240.00
August 5, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		59.40
September 10, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		106.80
October 11, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		32.40
November 8, 1935, Cash paid Town Treasurer .....		28.20
	\$	1,612.00

MILLARD F. CHARLES, Town Clerk.



## SPORTING LICENSES

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112 Fishing Licenses .....	\$ 224.00
109 Hunting Licenses .....	218.00
40 Hunting and Fishing Licenses .....	130.00
23 Minors' and Women's Fishing Licenses .....	28.75
4 Trapping Licenses .....	21.00
1 Minors' Trapping License .....	2.25
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	\$ 624.00
289 Fees @ 25c .....	72.25
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Total to Pay Fish and Game Division .....	\$ 551.75

### Payments

February 5, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	\$ 52.25
March 8, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	12.75
April 6, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	10.75
May 11, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	85.25
June 13, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	73.25
July 10, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	62.00
August 14, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	37.75
September 12, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission ....	19.75
October 8, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	5.25
November 12, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	137.25
December 4, 1935, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	30.75
January 4, 1936, Paid Fish and Game Commission .....	24.75
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	\$ 551.75

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1935

Date	Name	Parents
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## January

2	Barbara Anne Deferrari	William S. and Marion H.
2	Peter Adams Hersee	David E. and Doris K.
2	Sylvia Christine Lloyd	Arthur R. and Martha J.
4	Elizabeth Ann Guiliano	Concetto and Elsa L.
6	Sally Graham Lothrop	Gilbert M. and Ruth S.
7	Allen LeRoy Barrett	Karl F. and Gladys M.
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8	Ralph Byard Mudie	Ronald M. and Mildred M.
8	Clifford Stewart Read	William A. and Evelyn R.
12	Margaret Donegan	Maurice H. and Doris B.
12	Virginia Claire Doucette	Clarence L. and Frances S.
12	Joan Lyna	Willis R. and Ruth F.
12	Robert Joseph Rehm	Robert J. and Pearl B.
15	Laurence George Taylor	George W. and Audrey C.
18	Ellen Roberta Griffin	John L. and Elizabeth E.
21	Winthrop Morrell Goodwin	Morrell and Estella G.
22	Eleanor Conceney	Thomas J. and Kathleen H.
24	Norma Mae Ames	John F. and Ruth H.
25	Blanche Marie Skinner	William and Vera D.
28	Johanna Christine Worcester	Leo J. and Mildred S.

## February

1	John Richard Condon, Jr.	John R. and Irma L.
2	Alvird Louis Hayward	Richard H. and Dorothy K.
3	Shirley May Heavisides	John G. L. and Erma N.
7	Nancy May Gifford	William B. and Grace R.
13	Ronald Russell DeMatteo	Benedetto and Madelene G.
13	John Nils Erickson	Walford N. and Flora L.
18	Robert John Dirkman	John A. and Lena D.
23	David Higgins Schurman	Vernon L. and Ethel H.
24	Lewis	John and Grace H.

## March

3	Joanne Marilyn Steele	John R. B. and Marion E.
8	Gale Parker	George E. and Helen T.
10	Kaye Sanborn	Edwin N. and Sylvia R.
24	Diane Dyer	Orrin L. and Alice R.
25	Dale Fletcher	Warren L. Jr. and Myrtle W.
26	Robert Edward Ellis	Lewis A. and Beulah G.
30	Patricia Marie McDonald	Clifton J. and Charlotte W.

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Date	Name	Parents
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## April

1	Carol Louise McSheehy	George P. and Isabelle M.
2	Beverly Louise Weeks	Raymond W. and Eileen F.
4	Sara Southwick	Lawrence F. and Frances S.
5	Paul Robert Henderson	Spence R. and Olga S.
8	Sondra Sue Keyes	Charles D. and Ruth R.
10	Richard Howe Gibson	Frederick B. and Effie B.
13	Lois Joan Hulsman	Kenneth G. and Mamie F.
13	Agnes, Elaine Doran	Daniel F. and Mary M.

## May

6	Mary Louise Brown	William and Marion C.
12	Neil Hoffer	Arthur L. and Elizabeth M.
12	Myrna Gail Richardson	William G. and Elinore D.
13	George Holmes Brattin	Samuel T. Jr. and Blanche H.
21	Edgar Norris Bedley	Edgar and Marguerite S.
21	Richard Charles Harvey	Albert C. and Hattie A.
23	David Peter Condon	David P. and Florence J.
27	Harriet Jacqueline Selfridge	John E. and Catherine M.
30	Elizabeth Zwicker	Franklin and Margaret R.

## June

2	Albert Wendell Nelson	Fred W. and Ellen S.
2	Richard Edward Doucette	Charles H. and Eva D.
5	Mary Cail	Wilbur S. and Margaret R.
6	Harriet Josephine Smith	Ralph E. and Lillian S.
9	Donald Allen Sherrod	Roy L. and Florence M.
10	John Porter Barchus	John M. and Melvina P.
11	David Galvin Collins	Frank J. and Elsiemae L.
14	Betty Ann Heselton	Richard C. and Dorothy L.
18	Leopoldo Antony DeRosa	Leopoldo and Grace A.
18	Nancy Ann Cutcliffe	Walter F. and Gladys H.
21	James Johnson	William J. and Georgianna D.
23	Mary Elizabeth Tower	Graham and Lena G.
24	Carol Ann Powers	Walter C. and Ann W.
26	Robert David Ellis	Roland E. and Edna W.
29	Beverly Jane Smith	Clayton C. and Jennie D.

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## July

1	Kenneth Edgar Bruce	Fred E. and Bessie H.
2	Richard Ivar Johnson	Ivar F. and Ethel C.
4		
5	Marcia Ruth Johnson	Richard W. and Mabel S.
5	Walter Kenneth Hazelton	Jason and Florence H.
6	Walter Martin McCaughey	Raymond and Florence T.
7	Terrence Desmond	Daniel J. and Helen T.
7	Mary Lois White	Harry E. and Nellie H.
7	Lois Catherine Davis	Charles and Evelyn F.
8	Louise Florence Davis	Charles and Evelyn F.
17	James Murdock	George J. and Florence M.
19	Henry Snow Chase	Robert P. and Polly S.
24	Donald Louis Toussaint	Alpha and Rose W.
24	Roxanna Haven	Franklin K. and Elizabeth C.
24	Richard Holmes Burhoe, 2nd	Richard H. and Eleanore B.
25	Joan Fay Lieberman	Samuel and Elizabeth S.
27	Phyllis Graham	Duncan and Ellen F.

## August

2	Carol Marcia Bennett	Willard P. and Dorothy F.
9	Annie Ruth Gaffney	Michael C. and Gertrude H.
9	Gaffney	Michael C. and Gertrude H.
15	Gerald Louis Peters	John L. and Josephine G.
16	Marie Horrigan	Michael B. and Grace C.
16	Helen Geneva Roberts	Ralph M. and Vena W.
20	Isabel Ann Surette	Oliver R. and Ruth W.
21	David Franklin Ham	Robert E. and Priscilla W.
22	Patricia Ann Laetsch	Charles F. and Mary H.
24	Jean Frances Dunphy	Clarence and Olive T.
25	Janice Lowe Richardson	Carleton W. and Muriel L.

## September

5	Philip Bernard Surrence	Anselm E. and Bridget D.
5	Marjorie Erleen Lovejoy	Lawrence E. and Mary G.
6	Anna Marie Burke	James F. and Christine M.
11	Gould	Harold I. and Ida A.
12	Arline Frances Halpin	Thomas F. and Arline M.

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Date	Name	Parents
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## September

24	Laura Cleaves Hodson	Albert C. and Laura C.
30	Albert Joseph Arsenault	George G. and Florence B.

## October

3	Shirley Ann Trask	Ernest E. and Eva A.
6	John Arthur Beighley	Charles N. and Pearl S.
6	Sandra Ann Gould	George A. and Sarah C.
7	Edward Leon Doucette	Robert E. and Mary L.
14		
15	Nancy Carolyn Carlson	Carl R. and Ethel A.
15	Janyce Hamilton Sears	Edward L. and Frances H.
28	Channing Crocker Brown	Stanley C. and Eleanor M.
29	Edwin Anthony Brogan, Jr.	Edwin A. and Hilda C.

## November

6	Eleanor Ann Doherty	Edwin J. and Elizabeth D.
6	Elizabeth Frances Doherty	Edwin J. and Elizabeth D.
14	Andrew Fitzgerald Barrett	Charles A. and Alice S.
14	Shirley Ann Doucette	Joseph L. and Gertrude A.
17	Margaret Alice Muise	Lawrence J. and Margaret D.
19	Sally Dillaway	George L. Jr. and Elsie T.
20	Donald Murray David	A. Lloyd and Lois G.
25	Dorothy Virginia Poore	Harvey P. and Rose D.
26	Patricia Ruth Arnold	Barry W. and Elizabeth D.
26	Thomas Robert Barrett	Edward J. and Lillian W.
29	William Carney	John J. and Christina D.

## December

1	Mary Joanne McMahon	Frederick J. and Delma D.
10	Dianne Elizabeth Gormlie	George and Dorothea W.
12	Florence Mae Bates	Herbert N. and Elizabeth H.
13	George Alfred O'Keefe Jr.	George A. and Jeanette C.
18	Eleanor Carol True	Frederick H. and Dorothy D.
20	Joan Oldenbrook	Gerrett, Jr. and Martha B.
20	Judith Buntin	John F. and Verna M.
21	Nancy Lee Chamberlain	Daniel L. and Elizabeth M.
22	Leslie Orlando Hammond, 3rd	Leslie O. Jr. and Grace C.
29	Francis Edwin Merrill, Jr.	Francis E. and Bertha R.
29	Arline Edna Richards	Albert and Marion M.

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

Date	Name	Parents
September 29, 1913	Olga Marie Conti	Frank and Elena F.
April 5, 1919	William Robert Cronin	Jeremiah J. and Agnes C.
August 18, 1920	Norine Frances Weaver	Frank L. and Louise L.
April 24, 1929	Dorothy Marie Zanni	Dominick and Mary F.
June 21, 1934	Louise Elaine Boyce	Elias B. and Rosamond K.
July 3, 1934	Gordon Walter Doucette	Walter J. and Gertrude P.
July 25, 1934	Barbara Louise Davis	Arthur H. and Bertha C.
August 1, 1934	Raymond Joseph Drew	Raymond J. and Catherine C.
September 17, 1934	David Arthur Dunn	Wilfred J. and Alice M.
September 24, 1934	Patricia Anne Oliver	Henry E. and Mildred R.
November 21, 1934	Joseph Edward Meuse	John A. and Josephine F.
November 30, 1934	Theodore Batchelder	Oscar W. and Dorothy J.



# MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING, YEAR 1935

Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
November 17, 1934				
	Daniel J. Dunn	22	Chauffeur	Reading
	Evelyn M. Streeter	19	At Home	Reading
January				
2	Gilbert Charles Hall	22	Printer	Wakefield
	Margaret Louise Heselton	18	At Home	Reading
12	Jason Francis Hazelton	21	Electrician	Laconia, N. H.
	Florence R. Hicks	19	At Home	Reading
12	Raymond B. Woodland	30	Painter	Melrose
	Hilda Mae MacIntire	20	At Home	Reading
13	John Joseph Shields	25	Army Officer	Reading
	Alyce Marie Collins	23	Hair Dresser	Marlboro
20	Ernest Benjamin Follis	26	Compositor	Arlington
	Eula Eleanor Parsons	25	Proof Reader	Reading
22	Edwin James Doherty	27	Salesman	Reading
	Elizabeth Frances Desmond	31	Telephone Operator	Reading
24	Charles Francis Saunders	25	Electrician	Medford
	Mary Ann Priscilla Petre	23	Waitress	Reading
February				
2	Merton E. Curtis	24	Marine Corps	Charlestown
	Hazel E. Parker	20	At Home	Reading
2	Edwin Aram Kevorkian	29	Rug Dealer	Newton
	Marion Arlene Cottle	22	At Home	Reading
4	William Gerald Richardson	21	Clerk	Reading
	Eleanor Kathleen Dooley	16	At Home	Reading
16	George Edward Kennedy	47	Salesman	Reading
	Lillian Theresa (McCarthy)			
	Anthony	42	At Home	Reading
27	Amos A. Dolliver	46	Chauffeur	Hamilton
	Marion H. Lake	28	None	Reading
March				
1	George Robbins	37	Upholsterer	Reading
	Mary Milano	23	Laundry Worker	Woburn
21	Sidney B. Durfee	34	Piano Tuner	Newton
	Laura (Westwood) Adams	38	Mgr. Employment Office	Reading
29	Stanley Homer Beaman	26	Manager	North Reading
	Katherine Linwood Sweetser	26	At Home	Reading

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
April				
13	Horace Shepherd Fuller	26	Salesman	Newton
	Margaret Leontine Hach	28	Secretary	Reading
15	Francis H. Eaton	30	Bank Clerk	Needham
	Helen E. Colley	22	At Home	Reading
18	Edward Leo Sears	22	Rubber Worker	Reading
	Frances Louise Hamilton	19	At Home	Chelsea
21	Joseph Michael Green	27	Policeman	Reading
	Catherine Agnes Doherty	24	Stenographer	Somerville
21	William Forman Hunter	30	Salesman	Reading
	Genevieve Cecelia Marshall	27	Office Clerk	Medford
25	Herbert M. Francis	28	Chauffeur	Reading
	Clairessa A. (Kidder) Lewis	35	At Home	Jamaica Plain
May				
3	Andrew Barclay Guthrie	32	Florist	Manchester, N. H.
	Genevieve F. Smith	23	Stitcher	Manchester, N. H.
12	George Frederick Gormlie	19	Clerk	Reading
	Dorothea Webber	20	Hair Dresser	Malden
12	Albert Richards	27	Clerk	Reading
	Marion Edna MacKenzie	19	At Home	Reading
16	Clarence J. Marshall	20	Laborer	Reading
	Rita Desormiers	16	Practical Nurse	Reading
18	John James Walsh	38	Clerk	Reading
	Norma Doris Conti	29	Bookkeeper	Reading
19	William Peter Muise	25	Moulder	Reading
	Evelyn G. Surrette	28	House Maid	Wilmington
19	Fred Lyman Smalley	62	Physician	Reading
	Jemma M. Joy	50	Registered Nurse	Reading
21	Ernest Carl Conti	25	Clerk	Reading
	Lucille Abbott Cate	23	Clerk	Reading
22	Albert Standish Cann	46	Restaurant Owner	Reading
	Pauline Esther (Regan) Conlon	41	Clerk	Reading
26	Leslie Orlando Hammond, Jr.	21	Painter	Reading
	Grace Virginia Curtis	18	At Home	Reading
28	Merritt Winters Skidmore	25	Insurance Broker	Reading
	Dorothy Melissa Munn	23	At Home	Melrose
29	George Lindsay Hubbard	64	Drug Clerk	Reading
	Grace Beatrice (Freeman) Bedley	55	Housekeeper	Reading

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## June

1	George Alfred O'Keefe	19	Asst. Manager	Wakefield
	Jeanette Watling Crafts	19	At Home	Reading
1	Fletcher Nichols Eames	26	Accountant	Reading
	Doris Gertrude Rich	27	Clerk	Melrose
1	Leo Winslow Smith	26	Store Clerk	Reading
	Emily Loretta Redfield	21	Store Clerk	North Reading
5	LeRoy Houch Stengel	25	Foreman	Reading
	Ruth Field	24	Stenographer	Reading
12	Raymond Bertwell Eldridge	22	Salesman	Reading
	Ruth Feldridge Reams	21	At Home	Wakefield
15	Kimball Martin Holt	24	Traveling Salesman	Reading
	Viola Weiden Barrows	24	Clerk	Wakefield
15	Howard Walter Johnson	27	Mechanic	Reading
	Phyllis Katherine Collins	18	At Home	Wakefield
16	James Allen	28	Leather Worker	Woburn
	Belinda McHugh	27	Maid	Reading
16	Elmer Merritt Barstow	26	Clerk	Falmouth
	Alice Priscilla Newell	25	Teacher	Falmouth
22	George Everett Newhall	20	Chauffeur	North Reading
	Phyllis Hunter	19	At Home	Reading
22	Boyd Hanson Stewart	26	Bank Teller	Reading
	Lillian Morley Chamberlain	23	At Home	Reading
22	Percy William Perdrian	24	Chemist	Akron, Ohio
	Isabelle Gould Parker	24	Social Worker	Reading
23	Ralph Ernest Morse	23	Chef	Beverly
	Evelyn Bryant Lovejoy	20	At Home	Reading
24	John Duncan Brennan	22	Manager	Reading
	Pearl Gloria Flagg	20	Waitress	Wilmington
27	Harold Colbert Bean	37	Laundryman	Reading
	Eline Viola Anderson	37	At Home	Arlington
29	Albert S. Davis	27	Real Estate	Foxboro
	Eleanor M. White	30	Binding	Foxboro
30	Jesse Leonard VanHorn	23	Mechanical Engineer	Reading
	Esther Herrick	22	Clerk	Reading

## July

4	Robert Francis Dewey	25	Clerk	Reading
	Margaret Esther White	26	Waitress	Chelsea
21	Patrick John Pantano	32	Reserve Officer	Reading
	Lorena Margaret Reissle	30	At Home	Reading

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## July

24	Ralph E. Emerson	24	Mgr. Gas Station	Reading
	Thelma Ivester	23	Hair Dresser	North Reading
24	Wesley Alden Rogers	21	Waiter	Reading
	Priscilla Lorene Kingman	19	At Home	Reading
25	Ralph Edgar Sargent	32	Compositor Printer	Reading
	Irma Myrtice Blye	30	Secretary	Woburn
27	Earle E. Plummer	22	Farmer	Gorham, Me.
	Maxine R. Ames	20	House Maid	Reading
27	Wayne T. Hunter	21	Laborer	Petersham
	Florence E. Wheeler	20	Telephone Operator	Petersham
27	Ernest Cecil Gilbert	22	Laborer	Reading
	Katherine Lehr	18	At Home	Reading
28	John Sullivan	21	Chauffeur	Winchester
	Miriam Elizabeth Drew	22	Clerk	Reading
31	Philemon Putnam			
	Carleton, Jr.	28	Automobile Dealer	Reading
	Dorothea Irene Waterman	21	At Home	Wilmington

## August

2	Paul Robert Bergholtz	26	Salesman	Stoneham
	Helen Marjorie Ritchie	26	Secretary	Reading
3	John Murchie Lane	26	Engineer	Wakefield
	Elizabeth Spencer	24	At Home	Reading
4	John Edward Ingalls	26	Ice Man	Reading
	Mary Agnes Lynch	24	Waitress	Lawrence
17	Elmer A. Rising	29	Artist	Reading
	Elizabeth S. Mercer	26	Insurance Clerk	Reading
17	Harry Earle Beasley	23	Student	Brooklyn, N. Y.
	Jeanette Lumsden	23	Physician	Reading
17	Herbert D. Anderson	27	Claim Adjuster	Reading
	Mary R. MacInnis	27	Stenographer	Wakefield
26	Charles Edward Trafton	64	Plumber	Reading
	Elva Louise Robinson	46	Cashier	Reading
31	Chesed Seth Wakeman	27	Mechanic	Durham, Maine
	Ruth Collier Welch	28	School Teacher	Scituate
31	Lloyd Gilson Field	28	Steel Treater	Reading
	Virginia Louise MacBrien	26	Lawyer	Reading
31	Thomas F. Bradshaw	33	Foreman	Reading
	Grace J. Evans	34	At Home	Reading

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
September				
1	Fred Woodward Lewis	23	Medical Student	Reading
	Elizabeth Allara	22	Medical Student	Hamden, Conn.
2	Edward Patrick Donegan	29	Drug Clerk	Reading
	Julia Alice McGrail	23	Clerk	Wakefield
7	Edwin Adow Wendell	33	Painter	Reading
	Catherine Laura Doherty	30	Clerk	Stoneham
10	Stanton Daniel MacLean	22	Clerk	Reading
	Verna Althea VanHorn	24	At Home	Reading
13	Ceyland D. Chard	30	Stock Clerk	Saugus
	Ruth E. Chute	20	Meter Worker	Saugus
14	Robert Wellington Williams	26	Mess Officer	Reading
	Ellen Christine Peterson	25	Secretary	Troy, N. Y.
18	Merton D. Gill	21	Clerk	Reading
	Alice C. Goddard	18	At Home	Reading
21	William Francis Murphy	29	Chemist	North Reading
	Elena Virginia Conti	23	Stenographer	Reading
21	James Stark Ruddock	27	Laboratory Tester	Melrose
	Pearl Winnifred Wormell	18	Stenographer	Reading
21	George Albert Mussells, Jr.	24	Bank Clerk	Reading
	Joan Claire Humphrey	21	At Home	Wakefield
27	James Duncan Blue	24	Counteraman	Reading
	Mary Esther Logan	25	At Home	Stoneham
29	Ezra Smith Nutter	31	Shoe Cutter	Hanover
	Kathleen Isabelle Sullivan	20	Waitress	Hanover
29	Stanley Ross Pomfret	28	Salesman	Reading
	Josephine E. Turner	26	At Home	Reading
30	Thomas Joseph Simonds	21	Cook	Reading
	Eleanor May Crowe	17	At Home	Reading
October				
2	Mervyn Vivian Thomas	31	Chemist	Stoneham
	Margaret Adrienne Bean	31	Hair Dresser	Stoneham
5	Frederic Warren Davis	27	Supervisor	Malden
	Hazel Irma Morrison	26	Accountant	Reading
5	Earle Oliver Latham	27	Bank Clerk	Reading
	Harriet Irene Morrison	26	Stenographer	Malden
5	Charles Newhall Sweetser	25	Clerk	Reading
	Dorothy Jane Perkins	24	At Home	Watertown
5	John Warren Vedder, Jr.	28	Banker	Worcester
	Sara Lucille Long	24	At Home	Reading

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
October				
7	Arnold Poehler	23	Electrician	Brookline
	Dorothy Sullivan	22	Cashier	Reading
9	Eugene Thomas Brown	33	Physician	Easthampton, Conn.
	Katrina St. John Schimpfke	30	Piano Teacher	Reading
9	Albert R. Smith	64	Salesman	Reading
	Helen M. Ekstron	59	Housekeeper	Tyngsboro
10	Joseph Arthur Cummings	23	Leather Worker	Reading
	Pearl Vesta Brotherton	24	At Home	Reading
12	James Hamilton Burgess	21	Bookkeeper	Reading
	Barbara Catherine Gray	27	Hair Dresser	Reading
12	George F. Draper	69	Jeweler	Spencer
	Carrie (Griffiths) Durkee	54	At Home	Peabody
12	Frank Richmond Heselton	23	Engineer's Helper	Reading
	Ruth Weymouth Hyde	25	At Home	Reading
12	Dwight Woodbury Lewis	30	Clerk	Arlington
	Evelyn Lavinia Lewis	26	Secretary	Reading
12	Martin Philip Riley	33	Salesman	Reading
	Thelma Louise Parker	30	Beautician	Reading
17	James Francis Desmond	35	Postmaster	Reading
	Margaret M. Regan	32	Registered Nurse	Dorchester
19	John Pierpont May Stone	22	Station Manager	Belmont
	Dorothy Seward Barnes	25	At Home	Reading
21	Gerald Winston Gilbar	20	Laborer	North Reading
	Rita Catherine Brennan	18	Nurse Girl	Reading
26	William Arthur Kilkelly	23	Clerk	Reading
	Marjorie Olive Brown	19	Waitress	Newburyport
27	John Lester Surette	31	Carpenter	Reading
	Esther Rita D'Entremont	30	Housekeeper	Reading
November				
2	George Arthur Farrell	21	Instructor	Reading
	Myra Frances Riley	18	At Home	Medford
3	Fred Wallace Hopkins	19	Bank Clerk	Reading
	Selma Grace Hammond	18	At Home	Reading
9	William Harold Collins		Clerk	Reading
	McLeod	23		
	Mary Marguerite Godin	24	Stenographer	Chelsea
10	Roy G. Burger	32	Clerk	Reading
	Winifred E. Leonard	28	Comptometer Operator	Reading
10	Laurence Earl Carkin	32	Electrician	Portsmouth, N. H.
	Beatrice Fillmore Bryden	26	Secretary	Reading



Occupation	Residence	Date	Name	Age
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November				
14	James Gerard Duggan	22	Laborer	Wilmington
	Charlotte Evelyn Dunham	17	At Home	Reading
16	William Bernard Flaherty	27	Salesman	Reading
	Anna Tolan	26	Cashier	Charlestown
21	Emil Bielli	46	Manufacturer	Quincy
	Mary Louise Scolamiera	30	At Home	Quincy
24	Lawrence John Maribito	19	Clerk	Wakefield
	Viola Margaret Tebeau	20	Factory Worker	Reading
24	John Irving Rudolph	29	Salesman	Reading
	Alice Elizabeth Downs	25	Clerk	Reading
26	Douglas Beebe Lincoln	28	Teacher	Malden
	Iris Lillian Birnie	25	Clerk	Reading
27	Frank William White	25	Rubber Worker	Reading
	Lillian Margaret LaFave	31	Saleslady	Wakefield
28	Wentworth D. Taber	31	Ind. Engineer	Reading
	Marion N. Gowing	27	Hair Dresser	North Reading
30	Joseph John Arsenault	51	Carpenter	Harwichport
	Irene Julia Arsenault	46	Dressmaker	Reading
30	Robert Beers Hickman	25	Laborer	Reading
	Louise Frances Bragdon	25	Bookkeeper	Ellsworth, Me.
December				
21	Edward I. Baker	21	Salesman	Malden
	Ruth Stone	21	Bookkeeper	Reading
23	Carl Joseph Bevilacqua	36	Laborer	Stoneham
	Filomena Elizabeth Lanzillo	28	Designer's Helper	Wakefield
24	Oney F. Zesewitz	23	Landscape Gardner	Reading
	Irene Bessett	21	At Home	North Reading
25	Arthur Wesley Converse	30	Director	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
	Anne Louise (Burns) Robinson	28	At Home	Reading
25	Edgar LeRoy Frost	29	Advertising	Reading
	Heloise Williams Playdon	28	Bank Clerk	Reading
27	Adelbert F. Hurt	32	Manager	Newton
	Virginia Gould Forbes	27	Secretary	Reading
27	Fletcher Guard Watson	23	Instructor	Cambridge
	Alice Victoria Hodson	25	Teacher	Reading
28	John Gilbert Adden	23	Manufacturer	Reading
	Olive Heathcote	22	At Home	Westford
29	William A. Coker	31	Laundry	Reading
	Dorothy Ann Clement	24	At Home	Reading

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1935

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
September 4, 1934					
	Loring Adelbert Deming	65	4	18	Thrombosis
January					
6	Frank Leon Brown	45	3	17	Heart Disease
7	Catherine T. Tasney	58	2	22	Heart Disease
8					
11	William K. Kilday	75	10	1	Pneumonia
13	John William Peck	81	11	25	Myocarditis
13	Philip C. Ryan	60	—	—	Heart Disease
16	Alexander DeLaske	80	3	—	Heart Disease
18	Margaret (Withers) Stewart	60	2	1	Leukemia
20	Mary E. (Thornton) Turner	77	8	4	Myocarditis
26	Harvey A. Bancroft	70	2	22	Pneumonia
26	Levi L. W. Newell	78	—	—	Arterio Sclerosis
26	Stella Katherine Tolman	22	2	3	Pneumonia
27	George Ottis White	81	8	24	Pneumonia
28	Mary E. Ayers	100	2	14	Old Age
February					
3	Margaret (Williams) Ward	77	—	—	Arterio Sclerosis
5	Ella M. Candage	82	1	30	Hernia
5	Edward Bradley Eames	78	9	22	Cirrhosis
5	Margaret Jane (Stewart) Foster	85	7	7	Myocarditis
6	Harriet Ida (LeClair) Lowd	79	—	—	Myocarditis
8	Abbie A. MacIntire	76	0	17	Pneumonia
11	Samuel W. Bowker	81	0	27	Cystitis
17	Ernest W. Rogers	66	5	18	Diabetes
20	Eugene C. Packer	65	11	2	Hemorrhage
24	Albert Mason Bancroft	88	9	1	Myocarditis
26	Ellen (Desmond) Cummings	66	—	—	Hemorrhage
March					
6	Alvin Wood	51	1	2	Angina Pectoris
7	Sarah (Cook) Caldwell	41	3	16	Endocarditis
12	Josephine M. Barlow	43	7	2	Endocarditis
14	Alvah Lowell Burrage	52	6	10	Pneumonia
18	Anna (Murphy) Wright	85	11	12	Cholecystitis
22	William L. Wescott	70	9	16	Angina Pectoris
23	John H. Farnum	73	2	1	Myocarditis
25	Albert Leslie Chapman	82	3	12	Hemorrhage

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
March					
25	Harold Maguire	44	1	—	Heart Disease
26	Frances Adaline (Gould) Hunt	81	4	18	Hemorrhage
27	Edgar Norman Hunt	45	8	16	Nephritis
29	Frances M. Aymar	81	8	14	Hemorrhage
29	Ellen A. (Toohey) Waters	75	—	—	Hemorrhage
April					
1	Alice (Amerault) Meuse	56	—	—	Myocarditis
2	Mildred (Watson) Holden	42	—	—	Myocarditis
3	Eugene E. Dickinson	59	7	6	Ulcer
4	Sabina F. (Hockey) Brooks	72	10	—	Myocarditis
9	Grace (Cook) Bazzoni	78	4	15	Pneumonia
14	James A. Waters	81	—	—	Myocarditis
16	Henry F. Middleton	72	—	—	Tuberculosis
19	Peter A. Doucette	47	6	12	Edema
20	Lillian May (Gavin) Boyce	46	9	3	Tuberculosis
20	John Micheline	80	—	—	Myocarditis
22	Elizabeth (Shingleton) Beaudry	81	9	18	Thrombosis
28	Helen (Wills) Brown	79	7	13	Pneumonia
May					
1	John Joseph Cummings	59	9	21	Tuberculosis
3	Addie A. (Applebee) Copeland	56	9	17	Pneumonia
5	Hannah (Hegarty) Sheehan	57	—	—	Cardiac Dilatation
11	Julia W. Carroll	82	1	11	Carcinoma
12	Josephine (Mackey) Gianascio	34	—	—	Leukemia
16	Mary E. (Cotton) Langdon	83	9	1	Thrombosis
17	Nancy Heselton	1	10	6	Hydrocephalus
18	Eva S. (Swenson) Olsen	80	9	20	Heart Disease
18	Alden W. P. White	87	7	13	Sclerosis
19	Annie E. (Richardson) Colson	75	10	19	Heart Disease
20	Henry N. Fish	80	10	8	Thrombosis
24	Ella Frances (Foster) Oakes	84	7	24	Cardiac Dilatation
28	Addie F. Putnam	86	8	3	Hemorrhage
29	Annie M. (Bragdon) Sias	62	11	29	Carcinoma
30	Elizabeth (Garvin) Hamel	71	—	—	Pneumonia
30	Henry Peter Lyons	74	—	—	Thrombosis

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1935

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
June					
2	William Wellington Newhouse	68	4	11	Carcinoma
3	Harriet L. (LeGro) Smith	63	10	6	Hemorrhage
7	Annie M. (Wolhaupter) Hayes	73	10	7	Hemorrhage
8	Edgar W. Stanley	68	—	—	Regurgitation
10	Augustus Surrence	76	8	30	Pneumonia
17	William Fred Wilson	65	5	19	Nephritis
17	Julia Ann (Lewis) Colgan	86	0	16	Hemorrhage
17	Hazel E. (Wyman) Mayers	45	10	5	Carcinoma
21	Bertram C. Dustin	64	11	—	Leukemia
24	Emma Louise (Mansfield) Butts	87	—	19	Tumor
July					
3	Emma Holden	74	10	11	Endocarditis
5					
5	William Allen Rose	51	11	23	Aneurysm
7	Judson A. McClaskey	70	8	11	Hemorrhage
10	Frances M. (McAlister) Kelly	85	7	4	Carcinoma
12	Lucy I. (Smith) Gleason	76	10	23	Nephritis
13	Mary Ann (Allen) Batchelder	76	4	30	Angina Pectoris
13	Paul Edwin Lane	73	8	25	Uraemia
15	Mary F. (Flint) Richards	72	7	7	Angina Pectoris
18	George Washington Fowle	89	—	—	Thrombosis
22	Mabel D. Brooks	52	5	12	Carcinoma
23	Herbert William Sherman	69	5	—	Carcinoma
August					
2	David Schurman	88	4	3	Dilation of Heart
3	Bertha (Perkins) Perley	43	4	8	Interitis
9					
14	Lewis Grant Ramsdell	65	9	—	Pneumonia
15	John Joseph Doherty	56	—	—	Heart Disease
18	Gertrude C. (Ward) Rees	52	—	—	Intestinal Obstruction
23	Eliza Ann (Eveleth) Clapp	83	7	12	Myocarditis
24	Agnes Taylor	80	0	7	Intestinal Obstruction
26	Ernest A. Hurd	52	8	17	Uraemia
26	Eliza Moore (Haines) Kelley	80	4	10	Cholecystitis
28	Frank Wilson	63	3	20	Carcinoma

# DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1935

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
September					
3	Harley Gillies	57	9	5	Intestinal Obstruction
10	Infant Burke	0	0	4	Anemia
10	Homer J. Marcoux	32	6	14	Bullet Wound
18	John McCarron	83	—	—	Carcinoma
24	William M. Ritchie	63	2	19	Embolism
October					
1	Jeanette S. Gaul	79	1	21	Hemorrhage
2	Ferdinand Hoehner	87	3	—	Myocarditis
6	John Murphy	67	—	—	Cancer
7	Amanda Katherine (Egging) Mann	70	0	1	Cardio-Vascular Disease
13	Walter E. Kingman	80	7	2	Pneumonia
14					
16	James A. Baxter	81	5	23	Congestion of Lungs
27	Herbert W. Bancroft	77	—	—	Arterio Sclerosis
28	Arthur Montelle Hathaway	64	1	17	Hemorrhage
30	Thomas George Huguen	65	4	26	Thrombosis
November					
7	Emma C. Hawes Boardman	75	1	12	Thrombosis
8	Fernando O. Wyman	84	11	11	Hemorrhage
9	Elizabeth Whall Damon	46	2	16	Embolism
13	Elmore Parker	83	3	18	Hemorrhage
19	Ida C. (Gleason) Lucas	67	8	21	Embolus
22	Blanche V. (Hewes) Brown	48	10	27	Carcinoma
30	Raymond Derosia	18	—	9	Automobile Accident
December					
6	Adra Miller (Morton) Chase	88	3	18	Pneumonia
6	Francis X. Gallagher	51	11	2	Automobile Accident
7	Otto B. Runge	63	2	4	Cardiac Dilatation
13	Laurence H. Buck	43	5	16	Tuberculosis
14	Charles L. Richardson	68	10	8	Embolism
14	Corrine Cleveland	15	11	18	Meningitis
17	Amy B. (Bryant) Pierce	64	11	10	Thrombosis
18	Albert D. Damon	95	10	21	Pneumonia
18	Mary Ella (Gerry) Sias	79	2	21	Myocarditis
20	Lawrence Morris	20	11	28	Intestinal Obstruction
25	Mary J. (Smith) Chase	77	7	8	Thrombosis
26	Mary Ann (Walsh) Mathews	68	—	—	Coronary Thrombosis
27	William H. Dewsnap	65	—	—	Septicaemia

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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To the Citizens of the Town of Reading:

The annual report of the Board of Selectmen for the year ending December 31, 1935, is submitted herewith:

At the first meeting held on March 4, 1935, the Board organized as follows:

J. Warren Killam, Jr., Chairman  
Newell H. Morton, Secretary  
Albert N. Leman  
Leon G. Bent, Clerk

Regular meetings were held throughout the year and also thirteen Special Meetings.

### Appointments

Keeper of the Lock-up—Jeremiah Cullinane.

Field Drivers—Arthur W. Bancroft, Adolph S. Larson, Edward E. Nichols.

Burial Agent—Alfred B. Goodwin.

Weighers of Coal and Hay—Irving W. Bancroft, Bertha D. MacLellan, Wendell B. Newell, Charles W. Lee, Thomas E. Brogan, Mabel L. McKay, Percy N. Sweetser, Charles H. Sweetser.

Fence Viewers—Carl B. Sawyer, Albert E. Temple, Wendell B. Newell.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Carl M. Smith.

Board of Registrars—Robert S. Ralston.

Committee on Town Forest—Orville O. Ordway.

Gas Inspector—David Taggart.

Inspector of Wires—Hugh L. Eames.

Commissioner of Trust Funds—Philip H. Tirrell

Finance Committee—Reappointed—Harold B. Currell, William A. Haley, G. Lawrence Roberts. Appointed—George T. Neilson, Herman N. Noyes.

Supt. of Fire Alarm—Hugh L. Eames.

Inspector of Buildings—A. Russell Barnes.

Special Police Officers—John F. Maguire, J. Fred Richardson, Sylvanus Thompson, Edward McBrien, Walter Smith, James L. Healey, Henry W. Bryden, William H. Killam, Frank F. Strout, Ralph C. Carter, George O. Flanders, Ralph F. Plouff, William P. Pierpont, William H. Manning, Charles H. Melendy, Gardner A. Perry, Thaddeus P. Shaw, Edward Stuart, Robert O. Chesley, Rolland E. Ellis, Thomas F. Classen, Sidney Frederick, Forest H. Bryant.

Committee on Elm Tree Protection—John F. Sawyer, Henry M. Donegan, Andrew Christensen.



Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves—Harry A. Turner.

Reading Safety Council—Thomas H. Burbank, chairman, Robert B. Mount, Jr., Thomas F. Classen, Eleanor B. Crafts, Charles W. H. Smith, Ernest R. Leavitt, Mary Earley, Barbara S. Knight, Michael J. Hegarty, John W. Goff, Maud G. Ingalls.

Census Enumerators for Decennial Census of 1935—Percy L. Horrocks, George E. Dill, William Campbell, Edwin E. Wendell, Kenneth G. Larrabee, Edward N. Morand.

Superintendent of Moth Dept.—Henry M. Donegan.

Forest Warden—Orville O. Ordway.

Soldiers' Relief Agent—Forest H. Bryant.

It was voted to appoint the Board of Appeal so that its members would serve three year terms, one term to expire each year. Accordingly the members were appointed as follows: Henry Q. Millet, for three years; Fred L. Nutter, for two years; and Benjamin B. Piper, for one year.

For the first time, three Associate Members were appointed to this Board, as follows: Arthur P. French, for three years; Howard T. Clinch, for two years; and Herbert T. Schoppelry, for one year.

The nomination of Bernard Schimpfke for Inspector of Animals was submitted and approved.

At a special meeting with the School Committee, Mrs. Esther D. Twombly was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Helen B. Hartshorn.

At a special meeting with the Board of Library Trustees, Mrs. Isabel G. Hedges was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Ida C. Lucas.

### **Police**

Two new motorcycles were purchased chiefly for traffic duty and they have clearly proven their value by the record of fewer accidents along our highways. These were also equipped with radio receiving sets, which with our teletype service and radio connection with Arlington, the motor cycles can be sent anywhere in town within three minutes as can the patrol car.

Two Reserve Officers were given regular duty throughout the year. The Board feels they are a necessary addition to the force, particularly in the protection of our school children, and that consideration should be given towards making them regular patrolmen.

### **Safety**

A serious accident at the Willow Street crossing brought the subject of that danger spot to the fore again. After talking with rail-

road officials the Board recommended that a lower type of flash signal be installed to insure more safety.

Much thought and discussion has taken place over our main thoroughfares, particularly the square, and the possibility of traffic lights may eventually be a solution, but the Board does not recommend them at present and as yet, has not come to any definite solution of this growing problem.

### **Fire Department**

A new portable pump was purchased for the forest fire truck, making our apparatus complete and in good condition. The Board feels the fire apparatus now adequate for any emergency that might arise, but attention should be called to the fact that our ladder truck has a motor now nearly twenty years old, which is non-serviceable and would cripple the department several days should an accident or breakdown occur.

### **Fire Alarm**

As has been repeated many times, our fire alarm system is badly in need of new equipment. The repeater at the Central Fire Station has been in use thirty-eight years and is apt to be rendered useless at any time, causing a serious condition where our department is dependent on its callmen. A fire-proof vault or separate building would be very desirable to house the system.

Our outside equipment is in fairly good condition. However, house fires occurring in the past few years in sections where there are few telephones and at considerable distance from nearest fire alarm boxes, reveals the necessity of installing several new boxes in convenient places.

### **Dumps**

The situation of small dumps springing up around the town presents a serious problem, not only to the civic beauty, but to the general health.

The town dump is overfilled and the Board feels that more land will have to be purchased probably in that area. In order to control the situation the Board recommends that the town accept legislation preventing the carrying of rubbish on public ways without a permit and that serious consideration be given to having town collection of all our waste material.

### **Trees**

Believing that beauty is paramount for our residential community, the Tree Warden was authorized to purchase around two hundred trees, and these have been planted throughout the town.

A new truck was purchased for the Moth Department. A committee was appointed to watch for and take precaution of the dreaded Dutch Elm Disease. Thus far none has been reported in the immediate area.

### **Publicity**

From many sources come reports that this town is an ideal site for future real estate development. The Board appointed a committee of three—Logan R. Dickie, H. Raymond Johnson and W. Fletcher Twombly, to study methods of promoting the residential advantages of the town. The committee has submitted a report and results of their activity are now in progress.

### **Hearings**

Decisions recommending future policy followed two largely attended public hearings regarding gasoline stations near the square.

In the first instance, the permit for a station at the corner of South Main and Washington Streets was granted. The Board felt that with two stations in the immediate vicinity, property values in a district zoned for business would not be depreciated by the addition of one more.

However, the Board feels that in areas where other business enterprises might be encouraged, gasoline stations should not be installed. The Board is in agreement with the policy of the Board of 1931 and reiterate their opinion that gasoline stations should not be permitted near the immediate square.

Consequently, a petition for a station to be located at the junction of Ash and Main Streets at the southerly end of Post Office Square was unanimously denied.

There were also two hearings before the Board regarding the sale of liquor in Reading. As a result, one victualer's license was revoked, while in the other case, the party was allowed to retain a certificate of fitness to sell alcohol, providing no more reasons for suspicion were brought to the attention of the Board.

The Board takes the attitude that it is duty bound to take whatever action necessary to prevent the illegal sale of liquor in the town as long as the voters have so expressed it.

### **E. R. A. AND W. P. A.**

Many special meetings were held, some in conjunction with other Boards, as the various order on government projects were thrust suddenly upon the town.

With the splendid co-operation of all the Boards, and the promptness in fulfilling Federal requirements, no delay was caused due to any laxity on the part of local administrators.

A sum of \$15,000 was appropriated in the March town meeting for materials to be used on E. R. A. and intrusted with this Board.

It was carefully apportioned, but was obviously not enough. The Board recommended and was upheld by a special town meeting to borrow a sum of \$25,000 on tax titles. This gives assurance that the projects will continue without interruption as far as the town is concerned, well into 1936.

In changing from E. R. A. to W. P. A. late in the year, it meant doing away with the local E. R. A. office, making the town subject to a regional office at Lowell.

The Board, in order to maintain a closer connection with the Federal agencies and the projects themselves retained the office with a supervisor and secretary. This has proven very worthwhile from many angles, especially by enabling the local Boards to control the situation as much as possible.

The Board wishes to express their appreciation for the co-operation of the other Boards and of the various officers, during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WARREN KILLAM, JR.

NEWELL H. MORTON

ALBERT N. LEMAN

Board of Selectmen.

December 31, 1935.

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## REPORT OF THE LAW COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of the Town of Reading:

The duties of the Law Committee during the past year have been light, only two meetings of the committee being required to care for pending cases.

At the first meeting held on April 12, J. Warren Killam, Jr., chairman, organized the committee. Harold W. Putnam was elected secretary and Samuel H. Davis was appointed town counsel.

The report of the Town Counsel covers the details of the business transacted by the Committee and follows this report.

J. WARREN KILLAM, JR.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM

HENRY R. JOHNSON

ARTHUR W. COOLIDGE

EDGAR FROST

EDWARD M. HALLIGAN, M. D.

## REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

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To the Honorable, the Law Committee of the Town of Reading:

I submit my report as Town Counsel for the year ending December 31, 1935.

During the year fifteen cases were brought against the Board of Assessors before the State Board of Tax Appeals which required my attention. Pleadings in behalf of the Board of Assessors have been drafted, negotiations for settlement have been carried on with counsel representing petitioners and satisfactory adjustments have been effected, disposing of six cases. Six cases were heard by the State Board of Tax Appeals and in three of the cases favorable decisions were obtained for the Board of Assessors and in the other cases abatements were granted the petitioners. There are pending at the present time, three undisposed of appeals in which the pleadings have been completed and which will be heard by the State Board of Tax Appeals when reached on the docket.

I have filed in the Land Court twelve cases for the foreclosure of the right of redemption of tax liens. Pleading were drafted, hearings were held before the Land Court and as a result thereof five cases were disposed of by the entry of decree foreclosing the right of redemption and declaring the title of the Town to said parcels to be absolute, and four of the cases were dismissed upon the payment to the Town of the full amount of the outstanding taxes and costs. In the four cases referred to above, the respondents have redeemed the premises under Court order by the payment to the Town of the aggregate sum of \$3,077.67, and the three remaining cases are on the docket for disposition. Under the provisions of the statute relating to land of low value, the tax liens on our other parcels were duly foreclosed. By virtue of the proceedings under this statute, the four parcels were sold so that the same, for the year 1936, will contribute to the tax revenue of the Town.

During the year the accident case brought by Ida M. Smith for \$5000.00 has been settled, which disposes of a case which has been pending against the Town for five years.

The usual routine matters of the Board of Public Works, relating to laying out of streets, orders of taking of easements for drainage and water main purposes and construction of granolithic sidewalks, have required my services. I have rendered assistance to the Board in the matter of the application for approval by the United States Government of the project for the construction of the filtration plant; furnished in a written opinion the legal data necessary for the approval of the Federal grant of 45% and have examined and approved the contract for the construction of the plant under the Government regula-

tions. Titles have been examined in connection with the takings of land and various other activities of the Board have required my attention.

In the School Department charges were preferred against a school teacher for her removal, under the provisions of the law relating thereto. A private hearing was held which resulted in the dismissal of the teacher. I have examined the contract for the transportation of school children and after suggested modification have approved the same. I have also prepared a contract and bond relative to the installation of a heating system in the Grouard House.

I have rendered assistance to the Board of Public Welfare in connection with Probate Court proceedings relative to guardianship for minor children and domestic relation matters. I have prepared agreements relative to the cutting of wood upon land in the Town and have prepared Power of Attorney running from a welfare recipient, in connection with the management of property, and have rendered assistance in several other matters requiring my attention and advice.

I have drafted release deeds covering parcels of land sold by the Board of Selectmen and acquired by the Town by foreclosure of tax liens in the Land Court. Before proceedings were commenced in the Land Court for foreclosure of outstanding tax liens, covering property taken by the Town on December 23, 1933, I have endeavored to collect such taxes from the owners and mortgagees thereof, and through such efforts the taxes on twelve parcels of real estate have been paid and the property redeemed.

At the beginning of the year there were four suits against the Town pending in the Courts, and during the year one case previously referred to has been disposed of. During the year two suits were brought against the Town for injuries sustained as a result of alleged defects in the highway, and a petition for assessment of damages was commenced in the Middlesex Superior Court resulting from an alleged change of grade and specific repairs on Main Street. Eight claims for damages have been made against the Town during the year, which claims have not been made the subject of suit, and two of which claims have been satisfactorily adjusted. I have handled four claims arising out of damages to Town property and have effected satisfactory settlements.

In the matter of suits brought against Town employees in which the Town was summoned as Trustee, I have filed in Court in behalf of the Town, the answers as required by law. I have attended hearings of the various Boards, have given advice and opinions on Town matters, drafted all documents and legal instruments, prosecuted all claims brought in behalf of the Town, appeared in defense of all actions and



suits instituted or pending against the Town, and performed every professional act required of me in the performance of the duties of my office.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL H. DAVIS,

Town Counsel.

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## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Police Department of Town of Reading for the year ending December 31, 1935.

Arrests for the year 1935—432.

Males 422, females 10; residents, 137; non residents, 295; adults 394; minors, 38; American born, 398; foreign, 34.

### **Causes of Arrests**

Assault with intent to murder, 1; Assault and battery 4; Larceny, 10; Warrants for out town officers, 7; Insane, 3; Drunkenness, 201; Operating under influence liquor, 38; Breaking and entering, 13; Keeping and exposing liquor for sale, 4; Illegitimacy, 1; Violating the auto law, 132; Non support, 5; Armed robbery, 2; Gambling, 5; Indecent assault, 1; Vagrant, 1; Capias, 1; Disturbing the peace, 2.

### **Disposition of cases in Court**

Fined, 132; Filed, 74; Released, 160; Continued, 6; Turned over to out town officers 17; Discharged, 11; Held or Grand Jury, 2; Probation, 1; Appealed, 7; House of Correction, 9; House of Correction suspended, 13; State Hospital Danvers, 3; State farm at Bridgewater, 1; State Prison, 1; Dismissed for lack of prosecution, 2.

### **Amount of Fines Imposed by Court**

59 at \$5.00 each, \$295.00; 32 at \$10.00 each \$320.00; 1 at \$15.00 each, \$15.00; 3 at \$20.00 each, \$60.00; 4 at \$25.00 each, \$100.00; 10 at \$30.00 each, \$300.00; 2 at \$40.00 each, \$80.00; 12 at \$50.00 each, \$600.00; 3 at \$100.00 each, \$300.00

### **Miscellaneous**

Cases investigated, 370; automobile accidents, 124; guarding pay rolls, 80; guarding mail, 35; put ups, 81; building found open and secured, 115; dogs killed by officers, 5; special message delivered after hours, 32; children lost and found and turned over to parents, 16; windows found open and secured, 11; horse shot for the owner, 1; wires found and reported, 8; street light out, 35; old people found straying away pick up and taken home, 7; fires reported by officers, 3; defective streets and sidewalks, 6; gasoline pumps found open, 3; hens brought to the station and held for the owner, 2; dead body taken care of, 3;

dog restraint served, 2; serious sickness signs put out, 6; other accidents than automobiles, 2; goods found out side stores and brought to the station, value at \$150.00; property reported stolen, \$874.35; property recovered, \$706.00; property recovered for out town officers, \$2500.00; ambulance made the following runs to hospitals: Winchester, 27; Mass. General, 14; Carney, 12; Tewksbury, 14; Middlesex County Sanitarium, 1; Danvers State Hospital, 6; Lawrence General, 2; Children hospital, 4; Mass. Memorial, 5; Palmer Memorial, 1; Stoneham, 1; New England Sanatarium, 3; Boston City 2; Charlesgate, 1; Deaconess, 1; Melrose, 6; Boston Lying in Hospital, 1; Mount Auburn, 1; Osteopathic, 1; White Convalescent, 1; Brookline, 1; New England Hospital for women and children, 3; State Sanitarium at Rutland, 1; Chelsea Naval, 1; Robert Brigham, 1; covering 3,367 miles. Cruiser car starts out at 8 p. m., puts up 5 a. m., going all night to all parts of the Town with a radio in car, Teletype at station so that desk man can get the car in two minutes.

### **Conclusion**

At this time I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Judges of our District Court, the Clerks of our Court, our Local Press, and all others who assisted in promoting the welfare of this department, also the members of the force for what they have done.

Respectfully submitted,

JEREMIAH CULLINANE,

Chief of Police, Reading, Mass.

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## **REPORT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Fire Department is herewith submitted giving the report of the fires that have occurred during the year ending December 31st, 1935, together with such information as I think may be of interest to the town.

### **Finances**

My financial transactions are all embodied in the report of the Town Accountant to which I would respectfully refer you for any information you may desire in that line.

### **Manual Force**

The department consists of nine (9) permanent men (including the Chief) and twenty-one call men.

### **Apparatus and Equipment**

The department has five pieces of motor apparatus and a sedan for the use of the chief. The Chief's car and four pieces of apparatus are at the Central Fire Station as follows: Engine 1, a Seagrave com-

bination, equipped with a 100 gallon booster tank, of 1000 gallons per minute capacity which was purchased in 1934. Engine 3, a Seagrave combination of 600 gallons per minute capacity, equipped with an 85 gallon booster tank which was purchased in 1929. Engine 4, a Chevrolet hose truck equipped with a 65 gallon booster tank. A portable pump of 100 gallon per minute capacity is mounted on this truck and connected to the booster tank. This truck was purchased in 1932 and rebuilt in 1934. Ladder 1, a Robinson combination service ladder truck purchased in 1916 and in which a White motor was installed in 1920.

At Engine 2 Station on Woburn Street, there is a Seagrave combination of 400 gallons per minute capacity equipped with a 65 gallon booster tank.

Engines 1, 2, 3, and 4 are in very good condition. The ladder truck is twenty years old, it has a White G. F. motor for which the White Company no longer stock parts. It has a Cotter transmission and rear end which I was able to service from the combination that was replaced in 1926. I doubt if the Cotter Company are in business now. The three longest ladders on this truck were taken from the horse drawn truck in 1916 and are now thirty years old.

#### **Recommendations**

I would recommend the expenditure of \$13,850.00 for the purchase of a ladder truck. I also recommend the purchase of 500 feet of hose and that the Model T Ford be replaced this year.

#### **Fire Prevention**

I have issued 530 permits for fires out of doors, 316 permits for the storage of inflammable liquids, 5 permits for the sale of fireworks and 3 permits to conduct blasting operations.

The W. P. A. has gone from house to house and explained the requirements in regard to oil storage. This has helped very much both the citizen and my department in correcting some bad fire and life hazards.

I have caused to be or have inspected myself all mercantile establishments in town.

#### **Record of Alarms**

Month	Bell	Still	Total
January .....	7	9	16
February .....	4	7	11
March .....	8	21	29
April .....	9	32	41
May .....	9	20	29
June .....	3	7	10
July .....	6	14	20
August .....	7	19	26

Month	Bell	Still	Total
September .....	10	9	19
October .....	22	73	95
November .....	6	17	23
December .....	14	38	52
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Total .....			371
Miles traveled .....			4,678
Number feet 2½ inch hose laid .....			15,800
Number feet 1½ inch hose laid .....			31,350
Number feet chemical hose laid .....			5,400
Number feet ladders raised .....			664
Gallons chemical used .....			42
Number times booster tank used .....			47
Gallons of gasoline used .....			923
Gallons of oil used .....			38
Value of Property in danger .....			\$237,135.00
Insurance thereon .....			\$199,550.00
Loss thereto .....			\$ 14,640.89
Insurance paid .....			\$ 9,430.89

#### Conclusion

In concluding, I wish to extend to your Honorable Board, the Town Accountant, Treasurer and the Finance Committee, my thanks for the courtesies and co-operation I have received during the year. I wish to compliment the officers and members of the department on the prompt and efficient manner in which they have performed their duties. I also wish to express my thanks to the Chief of Police for the services rendered by his department at fires and to the employees of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for the prompt and efficient service rendered in receiving alarms by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

ORVILLE O. ORDWAY,

Chief Fire Department.

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#### REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Forest Warden is herewith submitted for the year ending December 31st, 1935.

The financial transactions of the department are embodied in the report of the Town Accountant to which I refer you for any information along this line.

The following deputies were appointed by me and approved by the

State Forest Warden; Henry M. Donegan, 11 Federal Street., John J. O'Brien and Hugh L. Eames, Central Fire Station.

Engine 4 is used for grass and brush fires. This machine is equipped with 2700 feet of 1½ inch hose as well as brooms and pump cans. A new portable pump was added to this machine this year and not only does it increase the efficiency of the machine but in the event of a large building it would make a very good spark chaser.

As in former years I have posted all woodlands and have investigated and reported all fires to the State Forest Warden.

In concluding I wish to thank all who have assisted this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted  
ORVILLE O. ORDWAY,  
Forest Warden.

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## REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1935.

The building construction for the past year was as follows:

27 new one family dwellings at an estimated cost of .....	\$ 121,100
11 alterations and additions to dwelling at an estimated cost of .....	7,085
21 new private garages at an estimated cost of .....	\$ 5,515
1 new store	
2 new service stations	
2 new recreation buildings	
1 new barn	
2 new storage buildings	
7 new hen houses	
1 new pigeon house	
14 alterations and additions to various buildings	
Estimated cost of above buildings .....	25,215

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Total estimated cost of all new and remodelled buildings for the past year ..... \$ 158,915

Total number of permits granted, 89.

Fees received for building permits, \$209.50

Respectfully submitted,  
A. RUSSELL BARNES,  
Building Inspector.

## REPORT OF READING TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

January 24, 1936.

Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

This, the fifth year of development of the Town Forest Reservation, was one of considerable activity. The largest yearly planting of new trees was made in the early spring of 1935, there being 50,000 trees in the shipment received from the State Department of Conservation.

Plantings by years, as follows:

1930 .....	20,000	
1931 .....	17,000	
1932 .....	11,000	
1933 .....	7,000	
1934 .....	20,000	(about 15,000 poor stock— winter killed.)
1935 .....	50,000	
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	125,000	
	25,000	Probable losses
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Estimate ..... 100,000 Present number, growing  
healthy trees

The 1935 budget appropriation was \$75.00 and the full amount was not expended due to the assistance received from the Welfare and P. W. A. projects.

For fire protection three water holes were enlarged to a considerable capacity.

We recommend that the Town of Reading purchase or otherwise obtain, adjoining properties to the Town Forest which would be beneficial to the proper protection of the Forest and for use in its further development.

To all those who had a part in the dedication ceremonies of 1930, and who actually planted a tree or trees, we extend a cordial invitation to visit the Town Forest and observe for their own satisfaction the sturdy growth of the little clump of "spills" they so carefully tucked away in among the roots and sods of "Hundred Acres." Some of these trees are now taller than the good citizens that gave them their start in Reading soil.

Respectfully submitted,

LELAND W. KINGMAN, Chairman

O. O. ORDWAY

HENRY M. DONEGAN

Reading Town Forest Committee.



## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

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Reading, Mass., Dec. 31, 1935.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Tree Warden and Moth Superintendent for the year 1935.

I have planted about two hundred and twenty-five trees on the roadside the last year.

Some of these trees were supplied by the Gas Company to replace some of the trees that were killed by leaking gas mains.

The gypsy moth and browntail moth situation remains about the same, but the elm trees will need a lot of spraying to protect them from the elm leaf beetle this year.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY M. DONEGAN

Tree Warden and Moth Supt.

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Fire Alarm Department for 1935.

No additions were made to the system this year and no damage was caused by storms.

It was necessary to make many changes to replaced poles and wire was rerun on Woburn Street, Temple Street, Franklin Street and Middlesex Avenue.

The relay on the Wakefield mutual aid circuit was replaced and although repairs were made to the repeater they can only be considered as temporary as this important part of the system has reached the state of unreliability and should be replaced at once.

There is great need of more fire alarm boxes to cover locations that are far from the nearest box.

I wish to thank your Honorable Board for their co-operation and all others who have assisted this department.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH L. EAMES,

Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Inspector of Wires for 1935.

Number of inspections 342. Complaints received and investigated 4.  
Wiring condemned 1. Changes ordered made to improper or defective  
wiring 12. \*Complaints made against electricians to State Examiners  
of Electricians 2.

I wish to thank your Honorable Board for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH L. EAMES,

Inspector of Wires.

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEAL

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

Six petitions for variation of the application of the Zoning By-Law were presented to this Board during 1935, of which two were granted, four denied.

Details as to each case may be obtained from the reports in the files of the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY Q. MILLETT, Chairman

FRED L. NUTTER, Secretary

BENJAMIN B. PIPER

Board of Appeal.

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## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Citizens of Reading:

There were one hundred fifty-nine (159) contagious cases reported during the year 1935.

Anterior Poliomyelitis .....	4
Chicken Pox .....	13
Dog Bite .....	28
German Measles .....	43
Measles .....	2
Mumps .....	2

Pneumonia Lobar .....	7
Scarlet Fever .....	38
Trichinosis .....	11
Tuberculosis .....	11
Number of deaths .....	95
Male .....	48
Female .....	47
2 were between .....	90 and 100
31 " " .....	80 and 90
25 " " .....	70 and 80
20 " " .....	60 and 70
10 " " .....	50 and 60
4 " " .....	40 and 50
1 was " .....	30 and 40
1 " " .....	1 and 20
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Respectfully submitted,

E. M. HALLIGAN, M. D.

R. B. SHEPARDSON, M. D.

C. F. ATKINSON

Board of Health.

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## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

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To the Board of Health,  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1935.

Number of Permits granted .....	122
Number of Fixtures installed .....	448
Bath tubs .....	62
Lavatories .....	81
Closets .....	97
Sinks .....	88
Wash trays .....	68
Boilers .....	52

I have made 247 inspections.

Respectfully submitted

DAVID TAGGART

Inspector of Plumbing.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The Trustees of the Public Library submit the following report for the year ended December 31, 1935.

### Organization of the Board

The Board organized by the election of Mr. Barclay as Chairman and Mr. Fletcher as Secretary. Standing committees were appointed as follows:

On Accounts: The Board of Trustees.

On Books: Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Tirrell and Mr. Lyons.

On Buildings and Grounds: Messrs. Morton, Fletcher and Barclay.

On work with the children: Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Tirrell and Mr. Fletcher.

### Expenses of the Library

The condensed financial statement is as follows:

Appropriation, direct tax, 1935:

Salaries: Librarian, Assistants and Janitor .....	\$ 4,800.00
Maintenance .....	2,800.00
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	\$ 7,600.00

### Expenses

Salaries: Librarian, Assistants and Janitor .....	\$ 4,796.78
Books and Periodicals, including rebinding .....	1,822.56
Printing, Stationery and Supplies .....	171.00
Fuel, Light, Water and Sewer .....	359.42
Repairs and Furnishings .....	242.99
Telephone .....	44.59
Insurance .....	89.66
All Other Expense .....	63.45
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	\$ 7,590.45

Balance Unexpended and Returned to Revenue:

On Salaries .....	\$ 3.22
On Maintenance .....	6.33
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	\$ 7,600.00

### Receipts

Fines collected (includ. one fee for out-of-town borrower) .....	\$ 427.07
Paid to Town Treasurer .....	427.07
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1935 .....	0.00

# **Statistics**

Volumes in the Library Dec. 31, 1934 18,565

## Volumes Bought:

Adult Fiction .....	404	
Adult Non-Fiction .....	378	782
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Juvenile Fiction .....	168	
Juvenile Non-Fiction .....	95	263
Reference .....		19
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		1064
Received by gift, Mass. ....	6	
Received by gift, U. S. ....	1	
Received by gift, Others .....	30	
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Total .....		19,666
Withdrawn During the Year .....		206

Total Num. of Vols., Dec. 31, 1935	19,460
Circulation for home use, adult .....	63,444
Circulation for home use, juvenile .....	18,716
Total circulation in 1935 .....	82,160
Total circulation in 1934 .....	87,406
Loss in 1935 .....	5,246
Largest monthly circulation, March .....	6,203
Smallest monthly circulation, June .....	4,602
New borrowers registered, adult .....	234
New borrowers registered, juvenile .....	223

Total new borrowers registered .....	557
Total borrowers registered during past five years .....	3898
Number of days the library was open .....	303
Average daily circulation, adult .....	209
Average daily circulation, juvenile .....	62
Volumes deposited in schools .....	311
Borrowed from Division of Pub. Libraries in neighboring Libraries .....	52
Loaned to neighboring libraries .....	13

The circulation of books for home use in 1935 was 5246 less than in 1934, the loss being slightly greater on the adults circulation than in that of the juveniles. 1064 volumes were purchased this year as compared with 669 in 1934.

The fact that the circulation of the library is less than last year is somewhat offset by the following quotation from an issue of the Library Mailbag sent out by the Division of Public Libraries last Spring. "Don't worry if your circulation figures decrease. The whole state circulation for 1934 dropped 1 1-2 million, but was still 7 millions over the 1930 circulation." The circulation of the Reading Library for 1934 was about the same as that for 1932 and 20877 more than that of 1930.

Mrs. Ida C. Lucas, a trustee, died on November 19, 1935; she had faithfully served on the board for eleven years, having been elected in 1924. The Board, the Librarian and assistants will miss greatly the counsel and always helpful and friendly service rendered by Mrs. Lucas during her long term. She always had the interest of the library foremost and was especially interested in the children. She had charge of the State Certificate reading and with the help of one of the library assistants one afternoon a week examined all the children who had read the required books. Last June 80 certificates were given out, seven honor certificates to those who had read twenty books; seventy-three to those who had read five books. Mrs. Tirrell of the Board of Trustees awarded the certificates at assembly at the Highland School.

For some years there has not been any story hour conducted by the library, but in the summer of 1935 on eight Wednesday afternoons in July and August, stories were told in the children's room. Mrs. Lucas told the stories on two afternoons, Miss Turner the Children's Librarian on two; Miss Carney, one of the library assistants, on two and Miss Holden and Miss Hartshorn kindly gave their services the remaining two afternoons. The groups of children varied from ten to forty with an average attendance of twenty-two. The stories were so much enjoyed that they will be continued another summer. Miss Turner has been taking a course in story telling, so will be able to carry it on without help except at the time of her vacation. The children's room has had new lights installed which add to its attractiveness and a low table with six kindergarten chairs have been added for the littlest ones.

The library had the services of an E.R.A. worker or some over half of the year. She rebound, repaired and mended torn pages in one thousand and sixty-six books. As a result a much smaller number of books had to be discarded than in previous years. A very trying experience occurred in the winter when some of the magazines on the reading tables were badly mutilated and reference books were found torn and pictures missing. Other libraries had the same trouble and following the example of the Milton library, an exhibit was placed in the show



case of some of the worst samples of useless mutilation. Cards giving an extract from the Laws of Massachusetts telling the penalty of fine or imprisonment for such acts were posted conspicuously about the reading room. A strict watch was kept on suspects and no more trouble occurred.

Exhibits were displayed in the showcase this year of old valentines; old tax warrants; a model aeroplane left in the library hoping the owner would claim it; linoleum blocks and bookplates printed from them; photographs of old Reading; inlay boxes; modern samplers and figurines; Christmas cards and bas-reliefs of Madonna and Child. Thanks are due members of the Society of Reading Craftsmen for four of these exhibits.

At a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and the Trustees of the Public Library held Friday evening, Dec. 20, 1935, Mrs. Isabel G. Hedges was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Lucas, until the next town election.

The annual appeal for books for the Merchants Marine brought small response; but twelve books and two years of the National Geographic Magazine and one year of the Illustrated London News were collected and sent in.

November 25th was the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Andrew Carnegie. The Reading Chronicle printed an article sent the library from the Carnegie Corporation about libraries, their progress in the last hundred years and Carnegie's donations. The library also received, in common with all libraries, a portrait of Carnegie which is hung in the reading room.

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### Budget for 1936

In accordance with the requirements of the General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 59, the Board of Trustees of the Reading Public Library submit the following detailed estimates of the amounts necessary for the proper maintenance of the Public Library for the fiscal year 1936.

Fuel, Light, Water, etc. ....	\$ 425.00
Printing and Supplies .....	175.00
Books, Periodicals, Binding, etc. ....	1,800.00
Maintenance and Repairs .....	200.00
Miscellaneous .....	100.00
Insurance .....	100.00
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	\$ 2,800.00

Brought forward .....	\$ 2,800.00
Salaries .....	4,800.00
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Total Appropriations requested .....	\$ 7,600.00
as against an appropriation in 1935 of .....	7,600.00
and in 1934 of .....	7,800.00

The total amount requested is the same as the appropriation in 1935 and \$200.00 less than the 1934 appropriation.

An income of \$400 is estimated from the "Fine Account" for 1936.

Three vacancies on the Board of Trustees are to be filled at the annual town meeting; the terms of Mrs. Helen P. Tirrell, Mrs. Isabel G. Hedges expire and also the term of Louis M. Lyons.

The trustees acknowledge the faithful services of Librarian Miss Bertha L. Brown; Assistant Librarian, Miss Grace J. Abbott and Miss Rebecca Turner and also all the assistants.

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees of Public Library.

HARRY J. BARCLAY, Chairman  
 WARREN L. FLETCHER, Secretry  
 ISABELLE G. HEDGES  
 HELEN PARKER TIRRELL  
 LOUIS M. LYONS  
 JESSE W. MORTON

Adopted as the report of the Trustees.

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## REPORT OF BURIAL AGENT

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Reading, Mass.  
 December 31, 1935.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
 Reading, Mass.  
 Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Burial Agent for indigent soldiers, sailors and their dependents.

During the year 1935, one application has been received for the State burial allowance. This being for the widow of a Civil War veteran. This application was approved by the Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions.

Respectfully submitted,  
 ALFRED E. GOODWIN,  
 Burial Agent.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Animals from April 3, 1935 to January 1, 1936.

On January 1, 1936, there were approximately 601 head of neat animals in the town.

The number of animals inspected were:

Cattle .....	166
Swine .....	418
Goats .....	16
Sheep .....	1

In a few cases it was necessary to suggest some improvement regarding cleanliness and ventilation.

There were 27 cases of dog bites reported. Of this number only one animal was affected with the rabies. The persons bitten and those exposed to infection were given the Pasteur treatment. All dogs known to have had contact and those suspected of having had contact with the rabid animal were quarantined.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD SCHIMPFKE

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## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer to December 31, 1935.

I have canvassed the town to see that all dogs were licensed.

Unlicensed and stray dogs have been found and disposed of as follows:

- 176 have been destroyed.
- 6 returned to owners.
- 2 cases were prosecuted and fined.
- 3 cases of dogs killing hens, (14 hens killed).
- 29 persons bitten by dogs.
- 1 case of rabies investigated.
- 287 complaints investigated.
- 18 dogs killed by autos.

At this time I wish to thank the Police Department and the Court for their assistance to me.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MELENDY,

Dog Officer.

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD 1935—36

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At the beginning of the year the Board organized with Mr. Watts as chairman and Mr. White as secretary. In December it became necessary for Mr. Watts to resign the chairmanship, and Mr. White was elected chairman, and Mr. Winthrop Parker, secretary. Meetings have been held regularly Friday evenings throughout the year.

The principal efforts of the Board have centered in the further development of the Town Map. Mr. Laurence Parker, acting under the direction of the Board, has supervised the project. Under his direction four surveying parties have been gathering data during most of the year for the contour map, and as the new year starts, about three-quarters of the town has been covered and the contours plotted upon the map. From time to time this project has been reviewed and checked by officials of the Federal Government, and received both their interest and approval. It is hoped to have this work completed by July. Copies of the street map, completed early in the year, have been furnished to various town departments including the Selectmen, Fire Department, Building Inspector and School Department.

The Board has also been interested in and has done considerable work upon the following subjects: prospective periodic joint meetings of the various Town Boards, for the purpose of more efficient co-operation and to prevent duplication of effort; highway by-pass to relieve the center of the Town from through traffic; modified town meeting; dumps and garbage disposal; the location and zoning of Route 128, the so-called "Circumferential Highway," particularly as related to the Town; and the preparation of a revised zoning by-law for the Town.

The by-pass and Route 128 are, so far as Reading is concerned, closely related to each other and to the matter of elimination of grade crossings. Pursuant to an invitation sent out by the Reading Planning Board, representatives from several towns traversed by Route 128 met in Reading, and at a subsequent meeting, formed a permanent organization known as the "Circumferential Highway Committee," the object of which is to determine the most advantageous location and the proper zoning of this highway.

The by-pass has been given much study, preliminary plots and estimates have been made, and the information turned over to the State Department of Public Works.

Representatives of the Board have attended various hearings of the local Board of Appeals, and also gatherings of the State Federation of Planning Boards. The Board has also, from time to time, co-operated with the local Board of Public Works in relation to street layouts presented to that Board for approval. This is a phase of the work

which will become of increasing importance and value to the Town as the map project approaches completion.

In September of 1935 the map project, the object of which is to develop an "Official Map," had reached such a stage that the Board deemed it advisable to seek expert advice upon its further development. Accordingly, in October, Prof. Frederick J. Adams, Assistant Professor of City Planning at M. I. T., was retained by the Board as Consultant on planning and zoning.

Prof. Adams' preliminary report follows:

"In accordance with the arrangement outlined in your letter of October 21st, 1935, I have completed the preliminary study of planning and zoning for the Town of Reading.

"The excellent map of the town prepared by your Board during the past year was used as a basis for studies of existing land uses and assessed land values. The former indicates uses of buildings and property for such purposes as residence, business, and industry. A differentiation is made between buildings used for one and more than one family houses, as well as those used for shops, garages, roadside stands, etc. The land value map gives the assessed value per sq. ft. ranging from one cent to one dollar. These two maps, together with the present zoning map, indicate graphically the lack of co-ordination between existing property uses, zoned property uses, and the assessed value of the various individual properties.

"These maps, together with the topographical map now in preparation, provides the essential basic data for a comprehensive plan on which to base the desired re-zoning of the town. Such a plan would include proposals for the logical future development of the residential, business and industrial areas. Before any attempt is made to modify existing zoning lines, the classifications of land for its most desirable use should be worked out, together with proposals for the major and minor street system.

"Important considerations that would affect the master plan would be the control of development along North and South Main Street (Route 28), the co-ordination with it of the proposed circumferential highway (Route 128), and the suggested by-pass from Stoneham and Wakefield through the eastern section of the town.

"Reading is in a fortunate situation with regard to its growth, as it has to date escaped almost all the misfortunes of speculative land development. This characteristic blight suffered by most towns within a radius of fifteen miles of Boston has cost those communities great expenditures of tax funds for the provision of water supply, sewerage, street maintenance, etc., in improperly developed subdivisions.

"There is every evidence that, attracted by the amenities of the town, its economical administration, the low cost of public services, and its accessibility from Boston, a large influx of residents is inevitable

in the near future. This growth of population will only be of benefit to the town, if the resulting land development is carefully controlled by sound and comprehensive planning.

"Two courses are open. Under the powers of the Zoning Enabling Act passed by the Legislature in 1933, a zoning ordinance could be drawn in which the control of subdivisions might be provided for to a beneficial extent. Such an ordinance would empower the town to impose restrictions 'for the purpose of lessening congestion in the streets, securing safety from fire, panic and other dangers, providing adequate light and air, preventing overcrowding of land, avoiding undue concentration of population, facilitating adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerages, schools, parks, and other public requirements, and increasing the amenities of the town.'

"However, a bill is now before the Legislature (House Bill No. 218) that has been reported out of committee, providing for an improved method of municipal planning. This bill, if passed, will permit towns to combine the powers of the Board of Survey with the Planning Board, thus providing the latter with even greater powers of subdivision control. Whatever form such control takes, it would be of small value without the guide of a master plan which would indicate to the Planning Board the logical lines upon which the town should develop in the most efficient and economical manner.

"It would be unfortunate if these studies made on the initiative of the Town Planning Board of Reading were not utilized to their utmost by becoming the basis for a comprehensive scheme for planning and zoning. There is no reason why such a program should not be carried out during the present year, if funds for the purpose are made available."

The report of this Board would be incomplete without a gracious acknowledgment of the generous co-operation it has received from the other Boards of the Town. This has been especially welcome, because from the nature of the Act creating them, all Planning Boards assume powers critical of other Town Boards. This criticism is, of course, assumed to be impersonal and academic, and it has been the constant endeavor of your own Board to keep such criticism or suggestions it has made strictly impersonal. We believe that almost without exception they have been so received. A further satisfaction in the work of the Board has been the cordial relations and co-operation maintained with the officials of our neighboring towns, with several of whom meetings have been held to common advantage.

The work of all Town Officials has been made peculiarly difficult by the exigencies of the depression, and that of the Planning Board has been no exception. On the other hand, it is only fair to say that had it not been for the trained workers made available by the alphabetical agencies of the Government, it would have been many years before the



Town would have had available the data it now has in concrete form and available for constructive purposes. The men assigned to the major Planning Board project, the so-called Map Project, have carried on faithfully and loyally under most disheartening circumstances. Now, upon the verge of completion, their work will, if utilized to its full possibilities, become a most valuable asset of the Town. To these men particularly the Board wishes to express its gratitude and appreciation for work well done.

With the completion of the contour map it is the intention of the Board, if the Town approves, to carry on the work as outlined in Prof. Adam's report. It seems obvious that such recommendations as he makes will, in the long run, result in an orderly and uniform development of the Town with a minimum of waste and extravagance. It is the belief of the Planning Board that such methods consistently followed, will not only save money for the taxpayers, but will result in a steady increase in population, made up of the most desirable types of people.

Respectfully submitted,  
PHILIP R. WHITE,  
Chairman Planning Board.

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## REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES

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Reading, Massachusetts  
January 1, 1936

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Reading.  
Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves for the year ending December 31, 1935.

The following veterans have answered the final roll-call during the year:

Laurel Hill Cemetery,  
Civil War:

November 29, 1935, Edwin A. Cutter.

World War:

December 15, 1935, Lawrence H. Buck.

Forest Glen Cemetery,  
World War:

March 30, 1935, Edgar Norman Hunt.

Sixteen sunken graves repaired and a part of a lot. One new lawn mower was purchased and the man who works on the graves had to be laid off September 20th for lack of funds.

There is need of more repairs during the year which cannot be done on the \$400.00 now appropriated. If the department restores the wage cuts it will be necessary to have \$600.00 as formerly. I strongly recommend to your Honorable Board that the sum of \$600.00 be appropriated for the proper care of Veterans' Graves.

I presume it would be of interest to the citizens of Reading to know that there are buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery 353 Veterans of all Wars, and that there are 4 Veterans buried in Forest Glen Cemetery. One hundred and nineteen of these graves have perpetual care.

Respectfully submitted,  
HARRY A. TURNER,  
Custodian of Soldiers and Sailors Graves.  
Town of Reading, Massachusetts.

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### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR 1936

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The reports of the Superintendent of Cemeteries, Mr. William P. Pierpont, which covers the work in detail of the Department, and approved by the Trustees, are appended.

There have been no changes on the Board during the year. Mr. Philip H. Tirrell and Mr. Clarence C. White have served as Chairman and Secretary respectively.

The terms of Mr. Philip H. Tirrell and Mr. Harold F. Davis expire in March 1936. It is hoped that they will consent to serve again.

In reviewing the work of the year it is quite evident that there has been a satisfactory improvement in the condition of both Cemeteries, although the amount of money at the disposal of the Department has been limited. The program of road and avenue improvement, which has been in progress for the past six years, is completed and they are now in first class shape. The trees and shrubbery have been trimmed, all dead wood removed, and are in excellent condition, adding much to the general attractiveness of the Cemeteries. Under the efficient management of the Superintendent, the Cemeteries are reaching a very high standard.

Respectfully submitted,  
PHILIP H. TIRRELL, Chairman  
CLARENCE C. WHITE, Secretary  
FRANK LEE EDGERLEY  
FRED L. NUTTER  
WINTHROP D. PARKER  
HAROLD F. DAVIS  
Board of Cemetery Trustees.

## LAUREL HILL CEMETERY REPORT 1935

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To the Board of Cemetery Trustees,  
Town of Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you a summary of the work accomplished in Laurel Hill Cemetery this past year.

The general routine of cemetery work has been carefully followed and some improvements made.

During the year several men through the Welfare and Soldiers' Relief Departments have cared for the Old Cemetery, mowed old lots, raked leaves and shoveled snow. They also sheathed and painted the inside of the shop three coats, making a big improvement.

A section of the land purchased from the Clapp Estate has been laid out into lots, twelve four and thirty-four two grave lots, thus ending all development in this Cemetery.

There were seventy-nine interments during the year. Thirty-two monument and marker foundations were built, eighty-nine sunken graves repaired and twenty-eight winter graves seeded in the spring. Twenty lots had minor repairs; sodding bankings, resetting monuments and reseeding. It is my intention to loam and seed all gravel paths and several were done this year. Four hundred and fifty cement markers were made and one hundred and fifty set. Two hundred and fifty stepping stones were made and placed in paths. Several hundred corner markers and stepping stones were reset. Nine lots were reloamed and seeded. All dead wood was trimmed from trees throughout the Cemetery. All hedges and shrubs were kept trimmed during the summer.

Thirteen lots and fifteen single graves were sold this year. Three old lots were placed under perpetual care and six lots had additional amounts added. In recent years there has been a large increase in placing perpetual care on old lots, indicating that many people are giving more consideration to the permanent care of their lots.

Three Bronze Tablets were set on granite posts, one each at the Lowell, Main and Highland street entrances.

Approximately nine thousand square yards of avenues had a coat of retread and a honing process, which should keep them in good condition for several years.

Over a period of six years we have been carrying on a line of permanent improvement in Laurel Hill Cemetery. Elm, Laurel, Cypress and a part of Walnut Avenues have been macadamized approximately 3,666 square yards. All other avenues have had four coats of tarvia. Fourteen catch basins have been built and 871 feet of corrugated drain pipe laid. 2,222 feet of Chain Link Fence was installed along the north and west boundaries and two sections of wall built, 438 feet at the

Federal Street section and 86 feet on the land adjoining the shop. Land was dug over and rock removed for eighty-four single graves and nineteen lots. Hedges, ivy and numerous shrubs were planted in different sections of the Cemetery. With the exception of new gates at the entrances; the two on Main Street haven't any and the one on Lowell Street is in bad condition; Laurel Hill is on a high standard with other Cemeteries.

I recommend the purchase of a new truck next year, as our present one is seven years old and the repairs are numerous and costly. We have heavy trucking and keep our Cemeteries plowed out for funerals in the winter and we should have a truck we can depend on. The one we have is always breaking down when most needed.

This covers in detail the work in Laurel Hill in 1935 and also the permanent improvements in recent years. The financial statement will appear in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM P. PIERPONT,  
Superintendent.

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### FOREST GLEN CEMETERY REPORT 1935

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To the Board of Cemetery Trustees,  
Town of Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

During the year 1935 there has been no new development in Forest Glen Cemetery. The regular maintenance work has been carried on. The trees and shrubs that were set out are showing improvement each year and help to beautify the Cemetery. The section west of the Avenue at Forest Glen Road is gradually being filled in. Two hundred and fifty loads of filling were hauled there this season. I recommend that we get enough filling this next year to complete that part of the work.

I have sold three lots this year, had five interments and repaired two winter graves. Nine hundred and fifty-three stepping stones and five hundred and ten corner markers were reset. There being little demand for large lots, I have changed thirty-eight grave lots into fours, making seventy-six additional four grave lots. The numbers are made and will be set in the spring.

A W. P. A. project has been presented to dig over a depth of five feet two areas consisting of two thousand six hundred and twenty square yards at the left of the Main Avenue at the Pearl Street Entrance and to build two roads bordering this area, including an extension of water pipe. A section of this area is to be reserved for the burial of Veterans who served in the Wars of the United States of

America. When this work is completed it will be a great improvement to this section of the Cemetery.

The financial statement will appear in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT,  
Superintendent.

## REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Reading,  
Gentlemen:

The following is my report of the work accomplished by me as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1935.

I can report at this time that all the scales, weights, and measures used in trade in the Town of Reading have been tested, adjusted and sealed or condemned.

The following is a tabulated record of my work:

Work performed from Dec. 1, 1934 to Nov. 30, 1935, inclusive:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Cond.
1. Scales—				
Platform, over 5,000 lbs. ..	2	4		
Platform, 100 to 5,000 lbs. ..	7	9		
Counter, 100 to 5,000 lbs.....	1	3		
Counter, under 100 lbs. ....	9	22		
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs. ....	3	8		
Spring, under 100 lbs. ....	14	28		1
Computing, under 100 lbs. ..	14	29	6	
Personal weighing .....		3		
Prescription .....	1	1		
2. Weights—				
Avoirdupois .....	2	115		
Apothecary .....		13		
3. Volumetric Measures—				
Liquid Measures .....		10		
Dry Measures .....		4		
4. Automatic Liquid Measuring Devices—				
Gasoline Pumps .....	5	73		1
Stops on Pumps .....	37	131		

Adjusted   Sealed   Not Sealed   Cond.

5. Linear Measures—

Yard Sticks .....

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95	470	6	2

In addition to this, I have at various times visited the stores, inspected the scales and weighed many commodities as put up for sale to the public.

Below is a record of my results:

Trial Weighings and Measurements of Commodities Sold or Put Up For Sale:

Commodity	Total No.	No.	Under	Over
	Tested	Correct		
Bread .....	18	14	2	2
Butter .....	12	10	2	0
Coal, paper bags .....	6	1	1	4
Dry Commodities .....	24	18	2	4
Flour .....	6	2	2	2
Fruits and Vegetables ....	18	13	1	4
Grain and Feed .....	5	5		
Ice .....	6	1		
Liquid Commodities .....	12	12		
Meats and Provisions .....	10	9	1	
Potatoes .....	12	4	6	2
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	129	88	18	23

Also I have made the following inspections during the year:

Inspections:—

Paper cartons, 2  
 Pedler's Licenses, 2  
 Marking of Bread, 4  
 Coal in paper bags, 3  
 Transient venders, 4  
 Clinical thermometers, 2  
 Pedlers scales, 3  
 Ice scales, 6  
 Junk scales, 2.  
 Retest gasoline pumps, 4

In conclusion I can report at this time that all of the scales, weights and measures used in trade are in good condition.

Sincerely yours,

CARL M. SMITH, Sealer Weights and Measures.



FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

of the

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1935

To the Citizens of the Town of Reading:

The year of 1935 started with some serious problems. The extreme cold caused many frozen water service pipes and meters and the employees of the Water Department were busily engaged for some time repairing the damage.

On January 23 heavy snow fell and due to the restricted finances of the Board during the past two years, the equipment used in the work of clearing had become unequal to the task. Much of it broke down leaving the streets of the Town in a sad state. This caused the Board much embarrassment and cost the Town a large sum of money as snow removal costs more the longer it is delayed. This particular increase can be directly traced to lack of necessary funds for equipment and the added strain of increased work added by the E. R. A. and other relief agencies.

The Town's water supply having developed iron, considerable work and investigation became necessary.

On March 8 the new Board of Public Works organized in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 118 of the Acts of 1921. Harold W. Putnam was elected Chairman and A. Russell Barnes, Jr., was elected Secretary. On July 8, Mr. Philip Welch was appointed Superintendent of Public Works to take the place of Mr. Alexander Birnie, who had served as Superintendent since March, 1931.

The Highway Department funds were only sufficient to provide the bare necessities under ordinary conditions, and with the elimination of State aid work and the expenditure of a sizable sum to aid in carrying on the E. R. A. and W. P. A., the appropriation was so depleted that it was impossible to care for the streets properly and many complaints were registered during the year.

The usual sidewalk program was followed which provided for the construction of 903 feet of permanent sidewalks. The balance of the funds were used for general repairs.

One sanitary sewer extension and several storm water drains were laid during the year and the work was performed with W. P. A. and E. R. A. labor.

The development of iron in the water supply of the Town caused

the Board to have investigations made by Weston and Sampson, Engineers. Later the same engineers designed a filter plant to correct the conditions found. A contract was let for its construction and the work is now progressing in a satisfactory manner.

The successful request of the Board for a Federal grant of 45 per cent of the cost and the favorable bid for the construction has paved the way for a reduction in the water rates which will be effective in July, 1936.

Activities in the Parks have been on the increase during the last five years and 1935 was no exception. This increase was particularly noticed at Washington St. Park in base-ball and in Birch Meadow for the smaller children. Washington St. Park has been completely renovated and will be in excellent condition during the coming season. With Federal agencies continuing, further improvements should be made in 1936 as this work provides labor with a minimum of material expense.

The Board strongly urges the continuation of park and playground development at a moderate rate, the construction of permanent sidewalks at a more rapid rate and the yearly construction of permanent pavements on its streets. The street construction should be done as far as possible through the aid of the State and County under Chapter 90. This co-operative work provides more labor in dollars than the Town actually contributes in addition to providing a road surface requiring practically no maintenance for several years. The Town cannot afford to pass up this saving.

Although not within the province of the Board, some study has been made of ash collection. The Board's experience in caring for the John St. Dump has shown that the dump nuisance so long a complaint of many citizens, cannot be corrected without the organized collection of ashes and rubbish by some method convenient and inexpensive to the residents.

We strongly emphasize at this time that a new building for the housing of the equipment of the Board of Public Works is necessary. At present some of the equipment is being housed in private garages and some of lesser value is left in the open. The present barn is not only inadequate and unsuitable, but is fast approaching the point

when it will be unsafe. This, added to the fact that the location is in a residential area and because of the nature of activity carried on there, is objectionable, makes it imperative that consideration be given to a new building in a new location. Several locations have been considered, but the most favorable yet proposed is the land owned by the Town on John St. and now used as a dump. The Board recommends that a start be made during 1936 on the construction of a new Public Works garage.

During the year much repair work was done on the Department's trucks and equipment. At present the trucks and equipment in general are in a much better condition than they were a year ago. A new Walters 3 1-2 Ton Model F. M. truck was purchased during the year.

Attention should be called to the amount of money taken from the regular appropriations to assist the E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects. For example, the appropriation for highways, \$25,000.00. From this it was necessary to expend \$9,804.11 to enable highway W. P. A. projects to operate. For complete details see table of expenses by departments on page 135 in the Superintendent's report. This type of expenditure is so large that the Board feels a separate fund should be set up for the work in order to allow the full amount of appropriations to be used for the purposes intended.

Realizing the importance of planning, and progressive improvements, the Board has developed a program to be followed in general over a period of years with a view to anticipating expenditures and coordinating with major expenditures of other Town Boards, so as to avoid if possible, a major expenditure from the tax levy for more than one board in any one year. With many of our expenditures of a general character there is much repetition each year, but the plan indicates what increase may be expected, and what special plans are contemplated. All should realize that such a plan cannot be considered hard and fast, and will be subject to revision from year to year as the necessity arises.

The plan covering a period of ten years is shown on the following eight pages.

HAROLD W. PUTNAM, Chairman  
A. RUSSELL BARNES, JR., Secretary  
ROBERT E. FOWLE  
ELMER P. CROOKER, JR.  
CLINTON L. BANCROFT

Board of Public Works.

# EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

Note: A definite plan of equipment replacements should be followed as equipment in steady use eventually reaches a point where the cost of repairs is so much that it is not economical to do same.

Year	Number and Type of Replacement	Original Cost	Length of Service	Replacement Cost	Totals	Remarks
1936	1-3½ Ton Truck, Dia. T.	\$ 4,990.00	6 Yrs.	\$ 5,000.00		Basis of Replacements is as Follows: Large Trucks—Every 5 Yrs. Small Trucks—Every 3 Yrs.
	1-1½ Ton " Chev., K. P.	1,000.00	5 "	1,000.00		
	1-Ford Coupe	580.00	5 "	600.00		
	1-2½ Ton Tractor, Cletrac	1,650.00	6 "	2,200.00	\$ 8,800.00	
1937	1-5 Ton Truck, Auto Car	\$ 5,000.00	7 Yrs.	\$ 5,000.00		Large Tractors—Every 5 Yrs. Small Tractors—Every 3 Yrs.
	1-1½ Ton Tractor, Fordson	1,647.00	9 "	1,800.00		
	1-Compressor	.....	7 "	1,500.00	\$ 8,300.00	
1938	1-Chev. Coupe	\$ 568.00	5 Yrs.	\$ 600.00		Pleasure Cars—Replaced Every 3 Yrs. Other Equipment Replaced in Relation to its cost and use.
	1-1½ Ton Truck, Compressor	682.00	8 "	750.00		
	1-2½ Ton Truck, Dia. T.	2,272.00	4½ "	2,500.00		
	1 2½ Ton Trac., Caterpillar	1,889.00	4½ "	2,000.00	\$ 5,850.00	
1939	1-Coupe	.....	3 Yrs.	\$ 600.00		
	1-1½ Ton Truck	.....	3 "	1,000.00		
	2-1 Ton Tractors (For Sidewalk Snow Plowing)	.....	3 "	3,000.00	\$ 5,200.00	
1940	1-1½ Ton Tractor	.....	3 Yrs.	\$ 1,300.00		
	1-15 Ton Roller	.....	10 "	6,500.00	\$ 8,300.00	
1941	1-3½ Ton Truck	.....	5 Yrs.	\$ 5,000.00		
	1-2½ Ton Tractor	.....	5 "	2,000.00		
	1-Coupe	.....	3 "	600.00		
	1-1½ Ton Truck	.....	3 "	750.00	\$ 8,350.00	
1942	1-5 Ton Truck	.....	5 Yrs.	\$ 5,000.00		
	1-Coupe	.....	3 "	600.00		
	1-1½ Ton Truck	.....	3 "	1,000.00	\$ 6,600.00	

# EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

Year	Number and Type of Replacement	Original Cost	Length of Service	Replacement Cost	Totals	Remarks
1943	1-2½ Ton Truck	.....	5 Yrs.	\$ 2,500.00		
	1-2½ Ton Tractor	.....	5 "	2,000.00		
	1-1½ Ton Tractor	.....	3 "	1,800.00	\$ 6,300.00	
1944	1-Coupe	.....	3 Yrs.	\$ 600.00		
	1-1½ Ton Truck	.....	3 "	750.00		
	1-Compressor	.....	7 "	1,500.00		
	1-F. W. D. Truck	.....	8 "	5,000.00	\$ 7,850.00	
1945	1-Coupe	.....	3 Yrs.	\$ 600.00		
	1-1½ Ton Truck	.....	3 "	1,000.00		
	2-1 Ton Tractors (For Sidewalk Snow Plowing)	.....	7 "	3,600.00	\$ 5,200.00	

Note: The above yearly amounts to be distributed to the proper budgets when same are filed.

# SIDEWALK EQUIPMENT

Year	Equipment	Cost	Totals	Remarks
1936	1-Sand Spreader	\$ 500.00		
	2-Snow Plows	1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	
1937	2-Snow Plows	\$ 1,000.00		
	2-Sidewalk Plows	600.00	\$ 1,600.00	Note: Present Methods of sidewalk plowing are very expensive.
1938	2-Snow Plows	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
1939	1-Sidewalk Tractor	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
1940	1-Sidewalk Tractor	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	
1941	2-Snow Plows	\$ 1,000.00		
	1-Sand Spreader	500.00	\$ 1,500.00	The work could be done more efficiently and economically with tractor driven plows.
1942	2-Snow Plows	\$ 1,000.00		
	2-Sidewalk Plows	600.00	\$ 1,600.00	
1943	2-Snow Plows	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	
1944	None	None	None	
1945	1-Sidewalk Tractor	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	





# HIGHWAY DEPT.

Year	Regular Maint.	Special Equip. Trucks, Tractors and Autos not Included	Town Resurfacing		Chap. 90 Permanent	Totals	Remarks:
			Permanent				
1935	\$ 36,000.00	Road Hone \$600.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 46,600.00	Chapter 90—Spend \$4,000.00 on Lowell St.; \$3,000.00 on Woburn St.; Town Resurfacing—Pleasant and Parker Sts.	
1937	\$ 36,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	Chapter 90—Ditto as above. Town Resurfacing—Washington St.—Main to High St.	
1938	\$ 36,000.00	Road Grader \$2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 43,000.00	Chapter 90—Ditto as above. Town Resurfacing—High St.—Washington to Woburn St.	
1939	\$ 36,000.00	Mach. Shop Equipment \$1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 47,500.00	Chapter 90—Ditto as above. Town Resurfacing—Lincoln St.—Woburn to Pleasant.	
1940	\$ 36,000.00	Mach. Shop Equipment \$1,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 47,500.00	Chapter 90—Ditto as above. Town Resurfacing—Lincoln St.—Prescott to Washington; Harnden St.—Main to Salem.	
1941	\$ 40,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	Chapter 90—Ditto as above. Town Resurfacing—Haven St.—High to Sanborn.	
1942	\$ 40,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	Chapter 90—Washington and Pearl Sts. Town Resurfacing—Haven St.—Sanborn to Elliot Sts.	
1943	\$ 40,000.00		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	Chapter 90—Washington and Pearl Sts. Town Resurfacing—Village St.	
1944	\$ 40,000.00	Road Hone \$800.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 50,800.00	Chapter 90—John, Village and Pearl Sts. Town Resurfacing—Minot St.—Washington to Centre.	
1945	\$ 40,000.00	Road Grader \$2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 52,000.00	Chapter 90—Haverhill and Pearl Sts. Town Resurfacing—Minot St.—Centre to Main	
Note: Appropriations for betterments as per applications. Corner curb installations regularly.							
Note: Special Betterment Accounts to be Appropriated as the Occasions Arise.							

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# SANITARY SEWERS AND STORM DRAINS

Year	Storm Drains Maint.	Ditch Drainage Maint.	Sanitary Sewers Maint. and Const.	Storm Drain Const.	Pipe Const. of Open Ditches	Regular Maint.	Totals Proposed Const.	Remarks:
1936	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	There will be a betterment income of approximately \$1,000.00 per Year.
1937	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1938	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	It is proposed to start at the outlet points in the storm drain system and work away from same through streets in substantially in the manner as laid out in the Barbour Plan which was developed for the town some years ago.
1939	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	open ditches will be piped in the same manner, starting at the outlets and working back through the ditch system so as to eventually cover in all open ditches.
1940	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	By doing these two projects jointly the entire drainage system will eventually be under ground.
1941	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1942	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1943	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1944	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
1945	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	

Sanitary Sewers: Progressive construction to reach 100 per cent sewer installation in all streets.

Note: Income from sewer rental will increase as number of users increases. As a result, sewer rentals should be reduced at regular intervals. Sewer Rentals should be assessed so that the income from same is only enough to balance the maintenance costs.

Note: In the event that the plan becomes operative, easements for future requirements should be obtained now.

# WATER DEPARTMENT

Year	Regular Dept. Operation	Const. Acct.	Total	Remarks:
1936	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 57,000.00	Install 12" main on Ash St., to new standpipe. Replace mains and services on streets where bad water still exists after new filter plant is completed and in operation.
1937	"	"	"	Start installing dual 12" main on Grove St. from Franklin St. to new pumping station. Replacement of 1 1-4" mains with 6" pipe—Elimination of dead end mains.
1938	"	"	"	Continue installation of dual 12" Main on Grove St. Study of possible chemical treatment of water at new filter plant. Replacement of 1 1-4" mains with 6" pipe. Elimination of dead end water mains.
1939	"	"	"	Drive new wells. Make a thorough study of possibilities of old pumping station in relation to remodeling same for emergency use.
1940	"	"	"	Start remodeling of old station :—New wells ; Replace old wells ; Emergency connection with Ipswich River.
1941	\$ 60,000.00	"	\$ 65,000.00	Continue remodeling old station, replace pumps and motors. Study possible use of Deisel Motors in both stations.
1942	"	"	"	Do construction necessary to connect old pumping station with new filters or remodel old filters at old station.
1943	"	"	"	Install 12" mains in various streets to cut down circulation distances and increase supply and pressure—much of this work will depend on the trend of the future development of the town.
1944	"	"	"	Ditto for 1944
1945	"	"	"	Ditto for 1945

# PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Year	Ordinary Maint.	Special Development	Total	Remarks:
1936	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$1,000.00 included in maintenance for hiring one employee for working on parks part time. Development includes \$1,000.00 on Memorial Park; \$1,000.00 on Birch Meadow; \$1,500.00 on Washington St. Park.
1937	"	"	"	
1938	"	"	"	Development includes \$1,000.00 on Memorial Park; \$1,000.00 on Reading Common; \$1,000.00 on Birch Meadow; \$500.00 on Washington St. Park.
1939	"	"	"	Ditto
1940	"	"	"	Ditto
1941	4,000.00	"	7,500.00	Add one more employee to Park Department. Spend \$2,000.00 on Birch Meadow; \$1,500.00 on new developments.
1942	"	"	"	Ditto
1943	"	"	"	Ditto
1944	"	"	"	Ditto
1945	"	"	"	Ditto
Note: Special developments in accordance with needs of Town in future.				

### SPECIAL ITEMS

Year	Amount	Remarks
1936	\$ 6,000.00	Start construction of a Pub. Wks. garage, workshop, etc. Bldg. to be built in sections so that additions can be easily made.
1937	6,000.00	Continue construction of Public Works garage.
1938	6,000.00	Finish construction of Public Works garage.
1939	6,000.00	Permanent wading pool at Birch Meadow Playground. Start acquiring and developing land around Bare Hill Standpipe.
1940	6,000.00	Permanent wading pool. Location to be Memorial Park or Wash. St. Park. Continue developing land around Bare Hill Standpipe.
1941	6,000.00	Start swimming pool construction. Location, Birch Meadow Playground.
1942	6,000.00	Continue Swimming Pool construction.
1943	6,000.00	Continue Swimming Pool construction.
1944	6,000.00	Acquire and develop several small parcels of land in various parts of town to make small playgrounds for small children.
1945	6,000.00	Ditto Ditto

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Public Works:  
Gentlemen:

As required by Section 4, Chapter 118 of an Act authorizing the Town of Reading to establish a Board of Public Works, I respectfully submit for your consideration the fifteenth annual report of the Department of Public Works (Water, Highway, Sewer and Park) including a financial report of each department, and a chronicle of the principal work performed with recommendations for the coming year.

### WATER DEPARTMENT

Maintenance Account:

Appropriation .....	\$ 50,000.00
Insurance Refunds .....	134.19
	\$ 50,134.19



Expenditures :

1. Office Maintenance :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,936.25
Supplies, Printing, Insurance, etc. ....	1,411.98

\$ 3,348.23

2. Pumping Station Costs :

Station No. 1, Mill Street :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 864.95
Light .....	157.86
Coal .....	239.81
Telephone .....	66.59
Misc. Supplies and Repairs .....	106.11

\$ 1,435.32

Station No. 2, Off Grove Street :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,565.91
Light and Power .....	5,311.02
Heater Oil .....	162.05
Misc. Repairs and Supplies .....	61.80

\$ 7,100.78

3. Maintenance of Meters :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,653.81
Supplies and Fittings .....	208.79
Testing Scales .....	25.50
Misc. Express .....	3.08

\$ 1,891.18

4. Maintenance of Service Pipes :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,944.24
Supplies, Misc. ....	120.19
Thawing Services .....	40.00

\$ 2,104.43

5. Maintenance of Main Pipes :

Pay Roll .....	\$ 417.90
Supplies and Tools .....	133.20

\$ 551.10

6. Maturing Bonds .....

\$ 13,000.00

\$ 13,000.00

7. Bond Interest .....	\$ 2,580.00	
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8. Truck and Equipment Maintenance:		
Repairs .....	\$ 221.51	
Gasoline and Oil .....	235.94	
New Equipment .....	883.00	
Registration .....	2.00	
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9. Shop Maintenance:		
Coal and Misc. Supplies .....	\$ 102.06	
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10. Main Pipe Construction:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 2,331.68	
Pipe and Fittings .....	8,297.94	
Supplies and Tools .....	643.88	
Blasting .....	106.28	
Freight and Express .....	11.42	
Fittings--Wells .....	51.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 11,442.80
11. Service Pipe Construction:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 414.01	
Pipe and Misc. Supplies .....	2,353.18	
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12. Meter Construction:		
New Meters .....	\$ 340.20	
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13. Hydrants and Drinking Fountains:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 222.80	
New Hydrants .....	661.01	
Misc. ....	34.82	
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14. Misc. Unclassified:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 975.49	

Fencing .....	122.22	
		\$ 1,097.71
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDED ..		\$ 50,022.08
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....		\$ 112.11
W. P. A. Water Filtration Plant:		
Bond Issue .....		\$ 42,000.00
Expended:		
Engineering .....	\$ 3,250.00	
Advertising .....	209.25	
Contractor .....	11,103.30	
Misc. Supplies .....	102.59	
Total .....		\$ 14,665.14
Balance Unexpended .....		\$ 27,334.86
1935 Receipts:		
1934 Balance Forward .....		\$ 2,764.98
Meter Rates .....		48,838.02
Service Pipe Maintenance .....		322.90
Service Pipe Construction .....		434.53
Rent .....		180.00
Fines and Summons .....		129.20
Hydrant Rental .....		1,500.00
Hydrant Repairs .....		20.00
Drinking Fountains .....		100.00
Sprinklers .....		42.00
Misc. Receipts .....		42.62
Total .....		\$ 54,374.25
Total Expenditures .....		50,022.08
Balance from Receipts .....		\$ 4,352.17
Total Cost of Water System since beginning to		
Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$660,578.63
Main Extension Maintenance Acct. ....	\$ 11,442.80	
Meters .....	340.00	
Filtration Plant .....	14,665.14	
		\$ 26,447.94
Total Cost Dec. 31, 1935 .....		\$687,026.57

## FINANCIAL STATISTICS

## EXPENDITURES

Water Works Maintenance:		Balance Brought Forward from 1934	
Total Maintenance .....	\$ 20,368.03	From Meter Rates .....	\$ 48,838.02
Interest on Bonds .....	2,580.00	From Meter Maintenance .....	.60
Payment of Bonds .....	13,000.00	Private Drinking Fountains .....	1.50
		Sprinkler System Payments .....	42.00
Total Maintenance .....	\$ 35,948.03		
Water Works Construction:			
Extension of Mains .....	\$ 10,966.66	Total from Consumers .....	\$ 48,881.52
Extension of Services .....	2,767.19	From Drinking Fountains .....	\$ 100.00
Extension of Meters .....	340.20	From Hydrants .....	1,500.00
Total Construction .....	\$ 14,074.05	Total from Municipal Depts. ....	\$ 1,600.00
Balance .....	4,352.17	Rents, Fines, Summons, Misc. Receipts	350.32
		Service Pipes .....	757.43
		Main Pipe Maintenance .....	.00
		Hydrant Maintenance .....	20.00
Total .....	\$ 54,374.25	Total .....	\$ 54,374.25

## WATER DEPARTMENT

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### Rainfall at Pumping Station

Month	Normal Rain- fall—Inches	Rainfall in 1935—Inches	Excess or Deficiency 1935
January	3.34	6.13	+2.79
February	3.33	3.23	— .10
March	3.68	1.06	—2.62
April	4.02	4.72	+ .70
May	2.93	1.44	—1.49
June	3.60	6.21	+2.61
July	3.29	2.67	— .62
August	3.38	1.98	—1.40
September	3.73	4.03	+ .30
October	2.94	.58	—2.36
November	3.19	4.36	+1.17
December	3.34	.90	—2.44
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Totals	40.77	37.31	—3.46

### Rainfall

The average rainfall for Massachusetts as deduced by the State Department of Public Health from long continued observation, in various parts of the State, is 44.54 inches.

As may be seen by a table in this report showing the amount of rainfall for the years 1900—1935 inclusive, the average rainfall at the Reading Pumping Station No. 1 on Mill Street is 40.77 inches.

The rainfall this past year was a deficiency of 7.23 inches compared with the state observations and a deficiency of 3.46 inches compared with the Pumping Station observations.

There was an excess of rainfall in the months of January, April, June, September, and November of 7.57 inches; and a deficiency in the months of February, March, May, July, August, October, and December of 11.03 inches; compared each month with an average rainfall between the years of 1900—1935 inclusive.

The greatest rainfall in 1935 for any month was in June, with a fall of 6.21 inches; in any one day, Wednesday, January 9, with a fall of 3.00 inches. The elevation of the Hundred Acre Meadow Pumping Station is approximately 80 feet above sea level.

# YEARLY RECORD OF HUNDRED ACRE MEADOW PUMPING STATION

January 1, 1935 to January 1, 1936

Month	No. Days	No. Hrs.	No. Min.	Gallons		Total Head	Power K. H. W.	Gal. Per K. H. W.	Rain- fall	Fuel Oil	Daily Aver. Gals. Pumped
				Pumped	Venturi Meter						
January .....	31	507	50	19,977,300		227	25,700	777.33	6.13	495	644,429
February .....	28	474	15	19,257,100		227	24,375	790.03	3.23	290	687,753
March .....	31	480	45	20,475,300		227	24,750	827.28	1.06	175	660,494
April .....	30	365	30	20,393,100		227	20,375	1000.88	4.72	200	679,770
May .....	31	417	45	20,955,900		227	23,725	883.28	1.44	....	675,997
June .....	30	389	30	19,446,800		227	22,350	870.10	6.21	....	648,226
July .....	31	513	30	24,571,100		227	29,300	838.60	2.67	....	792,616
August .....	31	541	30	24,653,000		227	30,400	810.95	1.98	....	795,258
September .....	30	409	00	19,334,700		227	22,675	852.68	4.03	....	644,490
October .....	31	431	45	20,365,300		227	23,850	853.89	.58	250	656,945
November .....	30	394	30	18,759,300		227	21,850	858.54	4.36	....	625,310
December .....	31	405	00	19,886,500		227	22,450	885.81	.90	445	641,500
Totals	365	5,330	50	248,075,400		227	291,800	850.15	37.31	1,855	679,399



## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

For Year Ending December 31, 1935

### Reading Water Department

Reading, Middlesex County, Massachusetts

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#### General Statistics

Population by census of 1935: 10,703.

Date of Construction: 1890, Mill Street; 1931 Grove Street.

By Whom owned: Town of Reading.

Sources of supply: Filter Gallery and Artesian Wells.

Mode of Supply: (whether gravity or pumping): Pumping.

#### Pumping Statistics

Builders of Pumping Machinery: Sullivan Machine Co., George F. Blake Mfg. Co., Platt Iron Works, DeLaval Steam Turbine Co.

#### Electric Pumps at Grove Street Station

Description of Pumps:

(A) Pumping Unit No. 1—2-Stage 5/4 DeLaval 75 H. P. 1750  
R. P. M. 3 phase, 60 cycle, 440 volt, 650 G. P. M.

(B) Pumping Unit No. 2—2 Stage 8/6 DeLaval 125 H. P. 1750  
R. P. M. 3 phase 60 cycle, 440 volt, 1000 G. P. M.

K. W. H. used for year: 291,800.

Power Cost for year: \$5,311.02.

Total Pumpage by Venturi Meter: 248,075,400 gallons.

Cost of Pumping per Million Gallons, power only: \$21.41.

Average number of gallons pumped per K. W. H.: 850.15.

Cost of Pumping figured on Total Pumping Station No. 2 Expenses,  
per Million gallons pumped: \$28.62.

Total Cost of Supplying water, per Million gallons, figured on Total  
maintenance, plus Interest on Bonds: \$90.58.

Average Static Head against which pumps work: 227.

Average Dynamic Head against which pumps work: 258.

#### Statistics Relating to Distribution Mains

Kind of Pipe: Cast Iron, Galvanized Iron.

Sizes: 1¼ inches to 12 inches.

Extended: 7893 feet of 6" Cast Iron Main; 463 feet of 1¼" Galv.  
Iron Main.

Total in use at present: 45.82 Miles (6" to 12")

Cost of Maintenance per Mile: \$12.03.

Number of Hydrants added during year: 13.

Number of Hydrants in use (Public and Private): 287.

Number of Stop Gates added during year: 30.

Number of Stop Gates now in use: 722.

Number of Stop Gates smaller than 4": 148.

Number of Blow-Offs added during year: 2.

Number of Blow-Offs now in use: 29.

Range of Pressure on Mains: 45—90 lbs.

#### **Statistics Relating to Suction Mains**

Kind of Pipe: Cast Iron.

Sizes of Pipe: 16", 12", 10", 8".

Total number feet in use: 116 feet 16"; 1270 feet of 12"; 940 feet of 10"; 1995 feet of 8".

Gates on Suction Mains: 1-16"; 4-12"; 2-8"; 78-2½" Gates.

Wells in use: Line A-16 wells; Line B-17 wells; Line C-11 wells;

Line D-12 wells; Line E-9 wells; Line F-13 wells. Total 78 wells.

#### **Statistics Relating to Services**

Services: Kinds of Pipe: Cast Iron, Galvanized Iron, Lead Lined, Cement Lined, and Copper Tubing.

Sizes: ¾" to 6".

Extended: 2,771.20 feet.

Total in use: 38.46 miles.

Number of active service taps added during year: 41.

Number of service taps in use: 2629.

Average length of services: 1935: 60.24 feet.

Average cost of service to owners: 1935: \$12.73.

Number of water meters repaired: 397.

Number of Water meters added: 32.

Number of water meters junked: 3.

Number of water meters now in use: 2823.

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### **WATER BONDS AND INTEREST**

There were \$13,000.00 in bonds payable in 1935.

The interest on serial bonds for the year 1935 amounted to \$2,580.00.

There are \$15,000.00 in bonds and \$3,180.00 interest due in 1936 as

follows:

Payable	Interest	Bonds
Mar. 15, 1936	\$ 140.00	
Apr. 15, 1936	437.50	\$ 5,000.00
Apr. 15, 1936	420.00	
June 1, 1936	777.50	4,000.00
Sept. 15, 1936	140.00	1,000.00
Oct. 15, 1936	350.00	
Oct. 15, 1936	420.00	5,000.00
Dec. 1, 1936	495.00	
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	\$ 3,180.00	\$ 15,000.00

**COMPARATIVE TOTAL PUMPAGE DURING THE PAST TEN  
YEARS—1925 to 1935 INCLUSIVE**

Year	Annual Pumpage (Gallons)	Increase or Decrease (Gallons)	Average Daily Pumpage Gallons	Increase or Decrease (Gallons)	Cost per Million Gal. Pumped Figured on Total Main. and Int. on Bonds	Estimated Population
1926	116,481,586	3,630,601 Dec.	319,127	9,947 Dec.	\$212.90	8796
1927	119,057,792	2,576,224 Inc.	326,185	7,053 Inc.	212.37	8796
1928	131,714,708	12,656,916 Inc.	359,876	33,691 Inc.	237.31	8796
1929	139,983,143	8,268,435 Inc.	383,515	23,639 Inc.	213.75	8796
1930	147,186,973	7,203,830 Inc.	403,257	19,742 Inc.	494.92	9747
1931	144,923,924	2,263,049 Dec.	397,051	6,206 Dec.	211.95	9747
1932	161,609,500	16,685,576 Inc.	441,423	44,372 Inc.	120.73	9747
1933	171,847,300	10,237,800 Inc.	470,389	28,966 Inc.	113.22	9747
1934	221,260,400	49,413,100 Inc.	606,192	135,803 Inc.	115.05	9767
1935	248,075,400	26,815,000 Inc.	679,658	73,465 Inc.	90.58	10703

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

**1935 Main Water Pipe Extension**

Street	16"	12"	10"	8"	6"	1 1/4"	1"	Total
Howard St. ....					1050.0			1,050.0
County Rd. ....					1888.6	427.0		2,315.6
Chapin Ave. ....						35.5		35.5
Colburn Rd. ....					1527.0			1,527.0
Palmer Hill Ave. .					215.3			215.3
Longview Rd. ....					142.3			142.3
Lowell St. ....					300.0			300.0
Pine Ridge Rd. ..					720.5			720.5
Summer Ave. ....					255.0			255.0
Vine St. ....					354.5			354.5
Bond St. ....					215.0			215.0
Lee Street ....					312.4			312.4
Hunt St. ....					318.0			318.0
Bancroft Ave. ...					594.5			594.5
Totals					7,893.1	462.5		8,355.6

## WATER DEPARTMENT

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There were substantial increases made in the water main distributing system during 1935, E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects being responsible for the majority of the installations.

Early in January, construction was begun on a 6" Main from West Street up Howard Street to County Road, thence northerly on County Road to the property of William Roberts. Working conditions were not good, due to cold, snow, and rainy weather, and stumps, boulders, etc. were encountered. The extension on County Road was put in under a 4 % Guarantee, and seven house services were connected to it. Four fire hydrants were also installed, one on Howard Street and three on County Road, for fire protection.

A 6" Main was also installed on Colburn Road, under a 4% Guarantee, using E. R. A. labor. An extremely hard ledge impeded construction at one point, and large boulders and stumps were present in quantities. Two fire hydrants were set on Colburn Road, and nine house services connected to the new main. On both County and Colburn Roads, the residents had for the past several years requested that water mains be laid, but due to lack of funds and labor and the fact these roads were not accepted as public ways, the installations had not been made.

Four other 6" and one 1¼" water main extensions were made under the provision of the 4% guarantee on Palmer Hill Ave., Longview Road, Pine Ridge Road, Lowell Street, and Chapin Ave. The Town is guaranteed, by the owners of property served by these mains a revenue of 4%, payable semi-annually, of the original cost of construction of said mains.

The construction on Palmer Hill Ave. and Longview Road served two new houses and also eliminated two dead ends. On Pine Ridge Road three houses were connected, and on Lowell Street and Chapin Ave. one house on each main was connected. The construction of these mains was accomplished solely with regular Water Dept. employees.

The policy inaugurated several years ago of eliminating "dead end" water mains i. e.; mains in which water could not circulate, was continued in 1935 by a means of a W. P. A. Project for elimination of dead end mains. By means of this project, 6" mains were laid on Vine Street and Summer Ave. Six inch mains also laid on Bond, Lee, and Hunt Streets, replacing inadequate present 1¼ " mains. The house services in the aforesaid locations were tapped on the new 6" mains, and fire hydrants set on mains as needed.

A six inch main was also laid on Bancroft Ave., from Tower Road to Birch Meadow Playground, for the purpose of supplying the wading pool and hockey rink with water. A fire hydrant was set at the cor-

ner of Hartshorn Street. W. P. A. labor was used on this project.

On all W. P. A. water works projects, the work was carefully supervised at all times by regular Water Department employees, and the actual work of laying pipe, caulking joints, tapping mains, and setting gates and hydrants was accomplished by said regular employees. Adequate water supply mains are an indispensable adjunct to the community, and furnish a practical use for relief labor.

Two new blow-offs were installed on Dead Ends, one on Longview Road, and one on Colburn Road.

Hydrants and blow-offs have been systematically flushed in an effort to clear the mains and keep the number of complaints of poor water at a minimum.

The regular annual inspection of fire hydrants was made, and after a few minor repairs, are now in first-class condition. Repairs, such as digging drips, greasing, packing, straightening bent rods, running threads, painting new hydrants, etc. were accomplished in October. Tables appendant to this report include lists of new hydrants set in 1935, hydrants moved or raised, and hydrants repaired. Three hydrants were struck by automobiles and broken, at the following locations: Main Street, corner Salem Street; Center Avenue, near No. 13, and Main Street, near No. 306. In the first two named, the owners of the cars involved were billed for the amount of damage done; the last mentioned hydrant was hit by a hit-and-run driver whose identity remains unknown.

Forty-six new house service taps were made during the year, totaling 2771.20 feet, or an average length of 60.24 feet per service. Of these 46 new taps, five were replacements for services already in use. All service taps on Howard Street, Vine Street, Bond Street, Lee Street, Hunt Street and Bancroft Avenue were changed from the old 1¼" mains to the new 6" mains, and the 1¼" mains on these streets were discontinued.

The building increases in Reading in 1935, which necessitated the majority of these new services, were due to three new land developments, which apparently will continue in 1936. A total of 105 house services were repaired during the year, 63 new cellar shut-offs were installed, and on 61 services it was necessary to repair the service pipes through the cellar walls. A steady increase in service pipe maintenance work is noted each year, as the services laid years ago deteriorate.

Meter maintenance for 1935 included 338 meters removed for tests, stoppage, or replacements. Of these 279 have been repaired, tested and reset, 59 meters from services shut off have been repaired and are waiting to be reset when the services are turned on again, 43 new meters have been set, and 3 old meters junked. Twenty-eight of the new meters set were on new services, fifteen were replacements for old meters. Twenty-four meters were frozen during the year. In October, an ex-

amination of meter boxes was made and, where necessary, were felted in preparation for cold weather to prevent freezing. A new brick meter box was installed at 299 Lowell Street.

As may be noted by a table in this report showing Rainfall for 1935, there was a deficiency from the normal of 3.46 inches. Due in part to the dry weather, a total pumpage of 248,075,400 gallons of water was recorded at Hundred Acre Pumping Station, an increase of 26,815,000 gallons over the record pumpage of 1934. Complaints of bad water increased tremendously over those of previous years. The Reading Chronicle, in an effort to ascertain the sentiment of the townspeople in regard to constructing a filtration plant, published in the Chronicle blank forms for the purpose of allowing those interested to register personal protests on the condition of the Town's water supply, and to request that steps be taken to rectify the objectionable condition. A total of 112 of these protests were returned by the citizens, and turned over to the Board of Public Works by the Reading Chronicle.

Weston & Sampson, Consulting Engineers, were retained by the Board of Public Works to investigate the condition of the water supply with a view to its improvement, and after a series of tests of the water at various points in the system, determining the amount of dissolved gases, iron and manganese present, made the following recommendation: "We recommend the construction of an Aeration and Filtration Plant as soon as it can be authorized and financed. We recommend also the examination of the well system to determine whether temporary relief may be gained by eliminating those wells yielding water of higher iron content."

At the annual Town Meeting, in March, 1935, an article was inserted in the warrant pertaining to the installation of an Aeration and Filtration Plant. The Finance Committee, however, recommended that action on subject matter of this article be postponed until such time as more definite information as to necessity and actual cost was obtained.

Following is quoted the summary from Weston & Sampson's complete report on the improvement of the Town's Water Supply:

"The present supply of Reading is abundant and will be entirely satisfactory if aerated and filtered to remove its objectionable iron and reduce corrosion.

"The treated water will be of excellent quality and far less costly than the Metropolitan water, the use of which would add about \$192 a million gallons to the other costs of maintenance.

"A supply from the enlarged Wilmington Works would possess no advantage. It is doubtful if the source has a capacity great enough to supply both Reading and Wilmington, and it is predicted that if so used the greater draft would cause the small amount of iron now found in the water to increase and require removal, as at Reading.



"The cost of a deferrization plant consisting of pumps, aerators, filters and appurtenances is estimated at \$65,000 and the annual cost of operation at \$1490. The additional cost of water, including fixed charges and operation, is estimated at \$26.97 a million gallons, or less than \$6,000 a year on the basis of present consumption. After twenty years, when the bonds will have been retired, the additional cost of water will be less than \$6.73 a million gallons as estimated on the basis of the consumption in 1934.

"If, to the present cost of water in Reading, namely \$115.05 per million gallons including interest on bonds, there be added \$26.97 for deferrization, the cost of water would be brought to \$142.02 which is the lowest cost of supplying a water of high grade to the Town of Reading."

At a special Town Meeting, held May 1, 1935, the Board was authorized by vote of the citizens to present an application to the State Advisory Board, Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, for a loan to finance the construction of an Aeration and Filtration Plant and the necessary appurtenances thereto, amounting to the sum of \$65,000.00.

This application for a Federal grant was filed at once, but no action was taken on it for some time by the Federal authorities. Meanwhile, working conditions at Hundred Acre Meadow were excellent, as, due to the lack of rain, the ground water level was very low. Therefore, after due consideration, the Board advertised for bids on the construction of a Filtration Plant, without recourse to the requested Federal grant.

After having received a number of sealed bids, but before the date on which they were to be opened, on August 13, notification was received from the Federal Emergency Administrator of Public Works that the Town's request for a Federal grant had been approved, and that the Federal government would grant 45% of the estimated cost of the project .

This necessitated the calling of another special Town Meeting, at which the original motion was rescinded and a new motion authorizing the Board to accept the Government's offer and reappropriating certain funds was passed.

The project was then re-advertised under P. W. A. rules and regulations, and contracts were awarded to the Tuller Construction Co. of Red Bank, N. J., for the general construction of the Deferrization Plant, and to Rideout, Chandler & Joyce of Boston for the Pumping Equipment.

The Tuller Construction Co. started work on October 25, 1935, and are progressing satisfactorily, and on schedule. At the time of this report, the cement work underground has practically been completed. It is expected the plant will be in operation in the Spring of 1936.

Weather conditions have been excellent considering the season of year, and ground water was low enough to not materially affect the excavation and concrete work.

It is confidently expected that with the completion of the Filtration Plant and the cleaning and flushing of the entire water supply system, that the quality of water supplied will be excellent

The driven wells were again cleaned and flushed, in accordance with the policy adopted in 1934 of yearly cleaning and general care. Tests were also made of each well to determine the iron content, as recommended by Weston & Sampson in their report.

The Mill Street Pumping Station has been held in readiness for possible emergency use through the year, but it has not been necessary to use this station during the year. Minor repairs have been made from time to time on the buildings, and also the pumping equipment. The chlorine tank and compensator were also repaired.

A W. P. A. project for making cement blocks is in operation at the Mill Street Station, in the coal bin. A radiator has been placed in the bin room to supply heat for curing the blocks.

The old Chevrolet water department truck has been replaced with a new Dodge truck, and the old Chevrolet turned over to the Board of Selectmen for use on W. P. A. projects.

I recommend the installation of a 12" water main under Ash Street connecting with the Bear Hill standpipe. A W. P. A. project has been filed to cover this work but to date has not been returned. Work should be started as soon as the project is returned.

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## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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To the Board of Public Works:  
Gentlemen:

The following is the yearly report of the Highway Department:  
Appropriations and Balances voted in March Town Meeting:

1. Highway Maintenance and Construction	\$ 25,000.00
2. Removal of Snow and Ice .....	10,000.00
3. Maintenance of Storm Drains .....	500.00
4. Sidewalk Construction .....	2,000.00
5. Development of Storm Water Drainage	2,500.00
6. Construction of Colburn Road .....	1,781.86
7. Construction of Winthrop Avenue ....	301.75
8. Appropriation for new Equipment ....	4,500.00

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\$ 46,583.61

Unexpended Balances from Previous Appropriation:

9. Construction of County Road .....	\$	71.29
10. Construction of Chapin Avenue .....		841.03

		912.32
Insurance Refund to Highway Department ....		25.29
Appropriation Special Town Meeting 12/31/35		
Snow and Ice Account .....		2,000.00
		<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$	49,521.22

Expenditures and Balances of above Appropriations:

1. Appro. for Main. and Const. ....	\$	25,000.00
Insurance Refund .....		25.29
		<u>25.29</u>
	\$	25,025.29

Expended:

Pay Roll .....	\$	12,945.24
General Repairs .....		2,592.47
Road Material .....		2,372.58
Misc. Supp. and Tools .....		7,114.94
Total		<u>25,025.23</u>

Balance Unexpended \$ .06

2. Removal of Snow and Ice .....	\$	10,000.00
Special Appropriation 12/31/35 .....		2,000.00
		<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$	12,000.00

Expended:

Pay Roll .....	\$	6,276.44
Sidewalk Plowing .....		1,248.28
Repairs, Equip. and Supplies .....		4,424.26
Total		<u>11,948.98</u>

Balance Unexpended \$ 51.02

3. Maintenance of Storm Drains .....	\$	500.00
Pay Roll .....	\$	408.62
Supplies .....		56.90

Total \$ 465.52

Balance Unexpended \$ 34.48

4. Sidewalk Construction .....		\$ 2,000.00
Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,163.73	
Supplies and Misc. ....	822.85	
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Total		\$ 1,986.58
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Balance Unexpended		\$ 13.42
5. Development of Storm Water Drainage .....		\$ 2,500.00
Pay Roll .....	\$ 878.07	
Supplies .....	1,603.01	
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Total		\$ 2,481.08
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Balance Unexpended		\$ 18.92
6. Construction of Colburn Road .....		\$ 1,781.86
Pay Roll .....	\$ 185.53	
Supplies .....	269.21	
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Total		\$ 454.74
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Balance Unexpended		\$ 1,327.12
7. Construction of Winthrop Avenue .....		\$ 301.75
Pay Roll .....	\$ 264.81	
Supplies .....	19.00	
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Total		\$ 283.81
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Balance Unexpended		\$ 17.94
8. Appropriation for new Equipment .....		\$ 4,500.00
Expended:		
New Equipment .....		\$ 4,500.00
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		\$ .00
9. Construction of County Road .....		\$ 71.29
Expended:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 1.90	
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Total		\$ 1.90
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Balance Unexpended		\$ 69.39

10. Construction of Chapin Avenue .....	\$	841.03
Expended:		
Pay Roll .....	\$	158.96
Supplies .....		374.84
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Total	\$	533.80
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Balance Unexpended	\$	307.23

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### TOTALS

Item	Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Balances	Bal. Fwd.
1	\$ 25,025.29	\$ 25,025.23	\$ .06	
2	12,000.00	11,948.98	51.02	
3	500.00	465.52	34.48	
4	2,000.00	1,986.58	13.42	
5	2,500.00	2,481.08	18.92	18.92
6	1,781.86	454.74	1,327.12	1,327.12
7	301.75	283.81	17.94	17.94
8	4,500.00	4,500.00	.00	
9	71.29	1.90	69.39	69.39
10	841.03	533.80	307.23	307.23

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### EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS ON E. R. A. — W. P. A. PROJECTS IN 1935

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Department	Labor	Material	Totals
	Also Hired Equip.		
Board of Public Works .....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 104.13	\$ 1,104.13
Water Department .....	1,771.65	6,743.83	8,515.48
Sewer Department .....	35.87	153.02	188.89
Highway Department .....	6,416.87	3,387.24	9,804.11
Park Department .....	263.86	944.97	1,208.83
Drainage Account .....	476.35	622.32	1,098.67
Unlisted Projects .....		15.45	15.45
Grand Total	\$ 9,964.60	\$ 11,970.96	\$ 21,935.56

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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Regular routine work of this department has been carried on during the year, although greatly handicapped by the necessity of continually using the department equipment on E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects.

E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects have been instrumental in permanent improvement on several roads, notably Franklin Street, Grove Street and Colburn Road.

Storm water drainage construction has been curtailed, owing to lack of funds and other causes. Open ditch work has been carried on by means of an E. R. A. project.

A brief resume of the work accomplished by the Highway Department follows:

### Snow and Ice Removal

Snow and ice removal started on January 1, and continued throughout the season. Snow plowing equipment, which consisted of two 3½ ton trucks, one 2½ ton truck, two 1½ ton trucks, two 2½ ton tractors, and the wooden sidewalk plows, all of which had been overhauled the previous fall, were able to combat successfully all storms until the record blizzard of January 23-24, an account of which follows:

Accompanied by a bitter, driving wind of gale velocity, the snow-storm began Wednesday afternoon, January 23. At four o'clock an inch of snow had fallen, with prospects of an all night storm ahead, and the Highway Department employees were instructed to commence plowing at 6:00 p. m., at which time two inches of snow was recorded.

The plows covered their regular routes once which included every street in Town, and then started over them again. By midnight the streets previously plowed had drifted full of snow, and the storm had developed into a blizzard. At this time the heavy plowing began to tell on our equipment.

The 3½ ton Diamond T truck was the first to go, the transmission giving away. The truck was towed to the Highway Barn and repairs started. However, it was 4:00 A. M. Friday before it again took the road, and at 6:00 A. M. Friday the transmission again broke down. When the truck was again repaired, it started plowing at 8:00 P. M. Thursday, and at 4:00 A. M., Saturday, the worm and rings gears in the rear end broke. At 6:00 P. M. Sunday, it again took the road, only to break a connecting rod at 6:00 A. M. Monday, January 28. These four breakdowns on one of our two largest truck-plows seriously handicapped the work of snow removal.

The 3½ ton Autocar truck was also laid up twice for repairs during the storm, once with a broken connecting rod, and once when the magneto went dead.



The Chevrolet K. P. truck had to have a new clutch, and the entire rear end assembly, including the drive shaft.

The Ford Air Compressor truck was in several times for minor repairs, but this piece of equipment, together with the new 2½ ton Diamond T truck, were the only two pieces of truck equipment on the road during the bulk of the storm, and turned in a truly creditable performance.

The new Caterpillar tractor also ran through the entire storm without a breakdown, but the deep snow rendered the wooden plow it drags ineffective, the plow riding over the snow instead of throwing it aside.

The snow continued to fall heavily throughout Wednesday night and Thursday morning, clearing off around 11:00 A. M. Thursday, January 24, with a fall of approximately 18 inches, drifted to depths of four and five feet in places. By that time the combined efforts of the snow fighting equipment remaining in operation was concentrated on keeping the main traveled roads passable. Woburn, West, Prescott, Summer Ave., Bancroft Ave., Salem, John, Village, Haven Streets were kept open, with other streets being opened in order of their importance.

Calls for streets to be plowed to permit doctors to call on sick patients, houses in need of coal and fuel oil, and ambulance cases to be taken to hospitals, were received and every effort made to open streets where such a request was received, was made. The sub-zero temperature following the blizzard caused great anxiety to house-holders short of fuel and provisions. Over 150 telephone calls were received at this office on January 24, approximately 175 on January 25, and 65 calls on January 26, all from persons living on unplowed streets. Of these calls, six were emergency calls, and eight urgent, which were all taken care of at the earliest possible moment.

Thursday morning at 11:00 A. M., the large tractor plow belonging to the State Department of Public Works, was obtained, and, manned by a crew of Highway Department men, opened Franklin, Grove, and Lowell Streets. Orders came through for it to go on State work in Billerica, however, and its services were lost throughout Thursday night. It returned early Friday morning, and plowed Charles, Haverhill, Ash, Brook, and Summer Ave., east of Main Street. From there it went away again on State work, and returned early Saturday morning. It was then used to plow Walnut, South, Curtis, Oak Streets, County and Longwood Roads, West Street, to the Wilmington line, and many other short streets nearer the center of town.

By Saturday morning most of the streets had been opened, and snow removal from Reading Square begun. A fleet of hired trucks were used to carry the snow away, and a number of men employed as shovelers. Work progressed rapidly, and by 5:00 A. M. Sunday the

Square had been cleared of snow. Haven Street was also cleared on Sunday, as well as parking places in front of the churches.

Owing to the blizzard and following cold wave, there was no school on Thursday and Friday for all grades, and on Monday no school for the primary grades. The schools were plowed out over the weekend, as much as possible, and shovelers cleared the walks and foot-paths.

Sidewalk snow-plowing was limited to sidewalks on the main thoroughfares, churches, schools, and the depot. The snow drifted to such a degree that shovelers were required to break the snow ahead of the horse-drawn plows, and even then these wooden plows could not work efficiently.

A sidewalk snow plow was procured and attached to the Caterpillar tractor. This proved more efficient than the horse plows, and, with a crew of shovelers, proceeded to clear the remaining drifted sidewalks.

An E. R. A. project for emergency snow-removal was granted, and these men used in shoveling sidewalks on North and South Main Streets and other important thoroughfares.

At the March Town Meeting, the Board was authorized to purchase a truck for snow plowing. After careful consideration a Walter Four Wheel Drive truck was purchased, and equipped with a suitable plow. This truck is specially suited for heavy duty plowing, and is a valuable addition to our snow fighting equipment. A plow has been rigged on the Sewer Department truck, and a new plow purchased for the Diamond T truck. All trucks, tractors, and sidewalk plows have been overhauled and repaired.

No snow plowing was necessary in the latter part of 1935, although icy streets and sidewalks were sanded several times.

#### **General Highway Maintenance**

The severe winter, with intense cold and heavy snowfall, resulted in the breaking up of the surfaces of many roads. Maintenance work was started early in May, with the streets in poorest condition receiving attention first.

The wooden road-hone, constructed and used successfully in 1934, was again used to advantage on certain streets. Other streets were scarified, graded and rolled and treated with Tarvia B. A total of 30,042 gallons were applied to roadways.

K. P. patching was carried on when conditions permitted throughout the year. Lack of funds prevented purchase of cold patch material in sufficient quantities to properly patch all roads, even though gravel in lieu of pea stone has been used as a base for the K. P. liquid. In all, some 6,986 gallons of Tarvia K. P. and Socony Cold Patch Asphalt was used.

The following public ways were relocated or altered at the Annual Town Meeting held March 11, 1935:

Grove Street, from Lowell Street to Criterion Road, and from Henzie Street to Forest Street, a relocation of 1600 feet.

Willow and West Streets, relocation of curve at intersection.

Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street, relocation of curve at Southwesterly corner.

Grove Street, northerly from Forest Street, was relocated as an E. R. A. Project in 1934. The 1935 relocation ties in with the first layout and, when completed, will have widened the present roadway and straightened the curve north of Henzie Street. Because of objections raised by abutters, the curve north of Henzie Street and south of Criterion Road was not relocated.

At the intersection of Willow and West Streets, the former dangerous condition has been eliminated by filling in the low land at the point of intersection and rounding the corner with a greater radius. Drainage facilities were provided for the ground water on the property effected by this relocation, and cement posts set for a guard rail defining the roadway.

A blind corner, shielded by a hedge which encroached upon the highway at the southwest intersection of Bancroft Avenue and Lowell Street, was relocated by rounding the corner on a longer radius. The aforementioned hedge was removed and replaced in its proper location. A gravel sidewalk surfaced with stone dust, was built in the new location.

At the adjourned Town Meeting held March 18, 1935, a portion of Franklin Street was relocated, and Colburn Road and a portion of Winthrop Avenue, both Private Ways, were accepted as Public Ways, under the terms of Chapter 83, Section 26, General Laws, which authorize the assessment of betterments for road construction.

On Franklin Street, a short section from Main Street, westerly was relocated at the request of the owner of abutting property.

Colburn Road construction was begun early in May, as an E. R. A. Project. Colburn Road, which is located from Forest Street 1500 feet northerly, was a very rough and narrow Private Way. Ledge, boulders, stumps and trees were encountered in its construction. A steam shovel was hired to rough excavate the road, as well as trucks to haul filling. A particularly hard ledge was blasted through in one section. The roadway has been rough graded, banks sloped, gravel sidewalks built, and shoulders cleaned up. In the Spring, a coating of Tarvia will be applied and the road completed.

The section of Winthrop Avenue accepted from the acceptance of 1932, northerly across Hartshorn Street, has been excavated, graded, and rolled, and will be surfaced with Tarvia in the Spring.

Chapin Avenue accepted as a Public Way in 1934 under the Betterment Act, and partially constructed, was completed early in the Spring. A storm water drain was laid from Ordway Terrace to Elliott

Street, thence Southerly to Green Street. The roadway was then graded with gravel, rolled, and surfaced with Asphalt.

Grove Street relocation from Franklin Street to Forest Street, has been completed. Curves were straightened, ledge and rock removed, a narrow "bottle-neck" eliminated by lengthening a culvert and filling in a gully, and some 2,600 feet of stone walls averaging three feet in height by two feet in width were built to replace walls taken down during the process of relocation. The traffic hazard at the intersection of Grove and Franklin Streets, where a high ledge obscured the view of approaching motorists, was partly eliminated by blasting away a section of the ledge. The roadway from Franklin Street to Forest Street has been scarified, graded, rolled, and treated with Tarvia B.

The relocation of Franklin Street, from Main Street to Grove Street, started in the fall of 1934, as an E. R. A. Project, continued throughout the year. A steam shovel was employed in excavating the deepest cuts, and roughing out the entire length.

The roadway has been graded, rolled, and surfaced with Tarvia. Gravel sidewalks have been built on both sides of the road, shoulders fine graded, and 9,500 odd feet of stone walls erected to define property lines and replace walls removed by the relocation of street lines. Stock fence was put up where necessary, and cement guard rail posts installed.

From a narrow, crooked roadway Franklin Street has been developed into a fine highway, with wide curves and clear visibility on curves and grades.

No Chapter 90 construction was done in 1935. At the March Town Meeting, the Board, under Articles 38, 39, and 40 of the warrant, asked for appropriation under Chapter 90 to construct portions of West, Woburn, Lowell, and Main Streets. However, they were not approved.

The Town has been awarded an outright grant as its portion of a State bond issue for road construction, and it has been decided to expend same on Lowell Street from Grove Street to Grand Street. The County Commissioners have surveyed and staked the road preliminary to the construction, which will be started in the Spring of 1936 with W. P. A. labor with the bond issue allotment being used for materials and equipment only.

### **Granolithic Sidewalks**

Construction of granolithic sidewalks was somewhat less than in previous years. 282.56 square yards of granolithic sidewalk on a total frontage of 475.90 feet were laid, abutting seven separate properties, all being installed as betterments.

A granolithic sidewalk was laid abutting the Prospect St. School on Woburn and Prospect Streets, totaling 253.1 square yards.

Four applications for granolithic sidewalks totaling 222.70 feet frontage, are on hand for 1936 construction, lack of funds preventing their installation in 1935.

#### **Granolithic Sidewalk Construction By Streets—1935**

Street	Frontage	Square Yards
Bancroft Avenue .....	70.00	57.16
Highland Street .....	82.90	50.72
Longfellow Road .....	248.00	135.88
Prospect Street .....	291.80	177.80
Washington Street .....	75.00	38.80
Woburn Street .....	135.50	75.30
Totals .....	903.20	535.66

#### **Stone Dust Sidewalks**

Stone dust was used to cover 4,065 square yards of sidewalk surface on a total frontage of 7052 lineal feet. 68.0 tons of stone dust were used on sidewalk work.

#### **Gravel Sidewalks**

Gravel sidewalk construction covering 2,520 square yards of surface, and 3,563 lineal feet in length, has been accomplished. The gravel sidewalks built by E. R. A. and W. P. A. labor on Franklin Street and Colburn Road are not included in these figures.

#### **Street Signs**

Street signs were installed as needed to replace broken ones, and to mark newly accepted Public Ways. New street signs have been made of wood and lettered by sign painters on the Welfare Department rolls.

#### **Bound Stones**

Stone Bounds have been set to establish the street lines, as required by law, in the following locations:

South-West corner Lowell St. and Bancroft Ave. .... 2 bounds set  
 South-East corner Highland and Locust Sts. .... 1 bound set

#### **Granite Curbing**

Granite curbing was installed under the Betterment Act at two locations, totaling 111.6 feet in length.

Radius curbing was set at the intersection of Deering and Lowell Streets, as relocated in 1934; at the south-easterly corner of Green and John Streets, and at the north-easterly corner of Washington and Main Streets.

On Woburn and Prospect Streets, abutting the Prospect Street School, 18.5 feet of radius and 278.5 feet of straight curbing was re-set. On Linden Street, east side, south of Woburn Street, it was necessary to reset 72.5 feet of straight and 4.0 feet of radius curbing:

### Storm Water Drainage

The storm water drainage system was advanced 1729 feet during the year. E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects were used to good advantage on this work.

The drains on Highland and Locust Streets, started in 1934, were completed early in January, 1936. The open ditch between Ridge and Hillside Roads has been piped and filled in and the open ditch off Kingston Street is being piped.

In November, a W. P. A. Storm Drain project was granted, and a number of necessary drains are to be installed through the project.

A table showing all drains installed in 1935 follows:

Location	Size and Length of Pipe Installed								C B	M H	C I	Totals
	30"	24"	21"	18"	15"	12"	10"	8"	6"			
Locust St. ....					312		24		2			336
Hillside Rd. ..				186								186
Ridge Road ...				47								47
Elliott St. ....				140					1	1	1	140
Chapin Ave. ..					288				2			288
Willow St. ....	36											36
Franklin St. ...			96									96
Curtis St. ....				48								48
Winthrop Ave.				48								48
Kingston St. ..	102									1		102
King Street ...			150		250							400
	36	102	96	150	469	850		24	5	2	1	1727

### Open Ditches

An E. R. A. Project for eliminating breeding places for mosquitoes was instrumental in the cleaning out of a number of open ditches in the following sections: Off Cross St. and Summer Ave., Knollwood Road, Pinevale and Percy Aves.; Oak, Walnut and South Streets West St. and County Road, and Birch Meadow.

Brooks and ditches were cleaned and deepened, small pond holes drained by lowering the outlets, and in some instances angles of brooks were rip-rapped to prevent erosion.

The Highway Department at present is heavily handicapped by the lack of proper garaging facilities. It is necessary at present to have considerable repair work done by contract which could be done by the department if it had the proper facilities. It is also necessary for the department at present to rent space in nearby garages due to the lack of space in the present barn. The barn itself is in deplorable condition. It is unfit for use by any department for any purpose.



I therefore recommend that a new garage be built either in part or in whole. I also recommend that upon the completion of the new garage that the present barn be razed.

The Highway Department is greatly handicapped in its work by the heavy demands made upon its personnel and equipment by W. P. A. projects. This continuous use of personnel and equipment on W. P. A. projects greatly limits the amount of service that the highway department can extend to the townspeople.

I therefore recommend that the use of highway department personnel and equipment on W. P. A. projects be greatly curtailed so that the highway department may give quick and efficient service to the townspeople.

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### **FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION AND FEDERAL WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION**

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List of all Projects supervised by Board of Public Works, January 1 to December 31, 1935.

1. Storm Water Drains—Highland and Locust Sts. Installation of a 12" concrete pipe drain from a point near No. 37 Locust St. westerly to Highland St., thence northerly to Bancroft Ave.

2. Grove Street Relocation—Relocation and construction of Grove Street from Franklin St. to Forest St.

3. Washington Street Playground—Completely reconstructed and renovated entire playground area. Regraded and seeded field, planted trees and shrubs, built stone wall, erected chain link fence, etc

4. Birch Meadow Playground—Constructed drains, walks, etc. and installed 6" water main.

5. Blacksmith—Sharpened and repaired tools and equipment used on E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects.

6. Recreation Building Repairs, Memorial Park—Repairs made to barn—floors laid, walls shingled, roof repaired, built chimney and installed heater.

7. Franklin Street Relocation—Relocated street lines, graded and surfaced roadway, built gravel sidewalks, erected stone walls, from Main St. to Grove St.

8. Renumbering Houses—Located every building in Reading on street plans, showing present and proposed street numbers. Held hearings for each street for purpose of notifying owners of change of number and to hear any objections or grievances in regard to changes.

9. County Road 6" Water Main—Installed 6" water main on Howard St. from West St. westerly to County Road, thence northerly on County Rd. to end of public way. Connected seven houses to main and installed three fire hydrants.

10. Emergency Snow Removal—Shoveled snow, breaking out sidewalks on North and South Main Streets and other main highways after blizzard of January 23, 1935.

11. Mt. Vernon St. Sewer Main—Installed an 8" main trunk sewer line on Mt. Vernon St. from School Street to Chute St. and built one man hole.

12. Open Ditch—Hillside Road—Excavated open ditch and installed therein 15" drain pipe, and covered same. Also relaid and lowered grade of pipe already in place, to permit proper drainage.

13. Colburn Road Street Construction—Relocated and started construction of Colburn Road, from Forest Street 1500 feet northerly. Excavated road, graded with gravel, removed ledge and boulders. To be surfaced with Tarvia at later date.

14. Mosquito Control—Deepened, widened, and cleaned open ditches and drained small pond holes in many sections of Reading, with object of eliminating breeding places of mosquitoes.

15. Chapin Ave. Storm Water Drain—Installed 15" storm water drain on Chapin Ave. from Ordway Terrace to Elliott St. thence on Elliott to Green St.

16. Surveying & Engineering Project—Engineering crew surveyed and mapped Town property, and assisted on E. R. A. projects requiring engineering.

17. Colburn Road 6" Water Main—Installed 6" water main on Colburn Road from Forest Street to end of public way, connected nine houses to main, and installed two fire hydrants.

18. Supervised Play—Instructors assigned to all Parks and Playgrounds from July 5 to Nov. 28, 1935. Also conducted post-vacation recreational activities at schools, parks, and playgrounds.

19. Connecting Dead Water Mains and Replacing 1¼" Mains with 6" Mains—Connected dead end at Vine Street, replaced 1¼" mains with 6" mains on Hunt, Lee, Bond, and Vine Streets, set fire hydrants on Hunt and Lee Streets. Also laid 6" main on Summer Ave. and set fire hydrant. Project will continue in 1936.

20. Storm Drains—Installation started on storm water drain on King Street from Summer Ave to Hancock Street Extension. Project will continue in 1936.

21. Street Survey—Field crew of engineers surveying public ways, no records of which are on file at the office of the Board of Public Works, and draftsman mapping streets surveyed.

### **Rolling Equipment of the Board of Public Works**

The following chart will illustrate the rolling equipment of the different departments and the year bought:

1—15 Ton Gasoline Driven Roller ..... 1931

1—5 Ton Walters F. M. Four Wheel Drive Truck .....	1935
1—3½ Ton Six Cylinder Autocar Truck .....	1930
2½ Ton Diamond T Truck .....	1934
1—3½ Ton Diamond T Truck .....	1929
1—1½ Ton Chevrolet Truck .....	1930
1—Ford Chassis Air Compressor Truck .....	1930
1—Chevrolet Coupe .....	1933
1—Ford Coupe .....	1930
1—Caterpillar Tractor .....	1934
1—Master 7 Cement Mixer .....	1931
1—K P Mixer .....	1922
1—Trailer .....	1923
1—1½ Ton Chevrolet Truck .....	1934
1—1½ Ton Dodge Truck .....	1935

### PARK DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Public Works:

Gentlemen:—

The following is the yearly report of the Park Department:

General Appropriation ..... \$ 2,000.00

Expended:

Memorial Park

Pay Roll, Care of Park .... \$ 75.04

Supplies, Repairs & Misc. 781.52

\$ 856.56

Supervised Play .....

\$ 85.60

Common and Main St. Parks

Supplies .....

\$ 17.23

Leach Park

No Expenditures

Birch Meadow

Pay Roll ..... \$ 26.56

Supplies and Misc. .... 204.64

\$ 231.20

Washington St. Park

Pay Roll ..... \$ 401.88

Supplies, Equip. & Misc. .. 392.48

\$ 794.36

Total Expended .....

\$ 1,984.95

Balance Unexpended ..

\$ 15.05

## **Park Department**

Park and Playground development has been carried out extensively during 1935, due in part to E. R. A. and W. P. A. construction projects. These projects are of a most valuable nature, inasmuch as ordinarily the amount of development accomplished by these projects would not be reached under normal conditions for a number of years.

A brief description of the activities in each Park, Playground and the Commons follows:

### **Memorial Park**

The general care and upkeep of the Park was again carried on by Welfare Department employees, supervised by the Public Works Department. The grassed areas were mowed frequently, foot-paths edged and weeded, shrubbery and trees were trimmed and pruned, etc.

Tennis and horseshoe courts were kept in excellent repair and were used extensively throughout the season. Drains were installed at the horseshoe courts and the courts re-graded to expedite drainage after rain storms. Through the winter months an indoor horseshoe court was in use in the Memorial Park Barn. An E. R. A. Project in January and February resulted in much needed repairs to the barn, a chimney erected, a furnace installed, and other repairs made where needed.

### **Birch Meadow Playground**

The development of Birch Meadow Playground was furthered by means of E. R. A. and W. P. A. construction projects. During the Spring of 1935 the loamed areas surrounding the tennis courts were regraded, seeded and rolled. Work was also begun on ground water drainage, both in the improved and unimproved areas. In the improved areas, French drains have been and are being constructed, and in the unimproved areas both main and lateral open drainage ditches have been deepened, widened, and the banks sloped.

Construction of a 6" Cast Iron water main in Bancroft Avenue from Tower Road to the Playground is nearing completion, to supply the wading pool, hockey rink, and the proposed pools with water. Plans for development of the Playground for 1936 have been prepared, to be accomplished by W. P. A. projects.

The hockey rink has been moved to a different location, and was used extensively during the winter seasons. The Reading Hockey Club played several league games on the rink, and on several occasions the hockey team of the C. C. C. Camp in North Reading were allowed the use of the rink.

The new tennis courts constructed in 1934 were much in demand throughout the tennis season, and were kept in excellent condition. More tennis courts should be built to accommodate those who wish to indulge in this popular sport.

## Washington St. Ball Park

By means of E. R. A. and W. P. A. projects, the entire Park area has been regraded, sowed, and landscaped, walls built, fence erected, and entirely remodeled.

Early in the Spring, a temporary baseball diamond was laid out in the Southwesterly sector of the Park. This ball field was used by the High School, Town, Neighborhood and Playground baseball teams until the end of the baseball season, when the park was closed to sports and the work of regrading commenced.

A bulldozer was engaged to strip the loam from the field and pile it up on the sidelines. This it did very effectively, and in a very short time. The time factor was most important, as in order that the field might be in usable condition in the spring of 1936, the entire area had to be filled, graded, fertilized and seeded in three weeks.

After stripping the loam, many loads of gravel were hauled\* to the park, and spread by the bulldozer, tractor and road machine to an established grade. This gravel sub-grade was then rolled in place with the Highway Department's 15 ton road roller. Finally, loam was spread over the entire surface and fine graded, fertilizer applied, and, after soil tests, the proper mixture of grass seed was sowed. The seed mixture used is one recommended for athletic fields and ball parks, and should give excellent results. Although sowed rather late in the fall, the mild fall and winter has been in its favor, and the grass has already sprouted to some extent. However, with the constant use of the field through the coming spring, summer and fall, it will be necessary to re-fertilize and reseed the field. This process should be continued in the coming years so that eventually a fine turf will be acquired.

A planting plan, developed by landscape experts attached to the Boston E. R. A. M. office, was followed in the setting out of numerous trees and shrubs surrounding the park. The shrubs and trees selected include twenty-eight different varieties, comprising 792 plants in all.

Walks have been laid out and graveled, and the horseshoe courts relocated. A play area for younger children has been constructed, and equipped with a new approved type of swings and see-saws. A shelter is to be erected in this area at a later date. A basketball court and a volley ball court are also provided for, but have not been completed.

On the Washington Street frontage, an ornamental field stone wall, and equipped with an iron grille work gate at the main entrance, is being erected as this report is written. A chain link fence is also being erected along the Southerly and Westerly fronts of the Park.

The baseball diamond will be relocated, with the home plate near the south-west corner of the Park, and the bleachers located along the third base line and near the present tennis courts. By this new ar-

rangement of the diamond, greater areas are set aside for other sports and may be used to better advantage.

It is expected the entire construction job will be completed before spring park activities begin, and the Town will possess an excellent ball park.

### **Special Play Areas**

Because of the added interest in baseball and the forming of boys ball teams in different sections of town, the Board received short term leases from certain public-spirited citizens to parcels of land on Salem Street, at the corner of Torre Street; and on West Street, at the corner of Willow Street, owned by Mr. Frank J. Torre and Mrs. Florence Wiberg, resectively.

These areas were used extensively throughout the school vacation period, E. R. A. instructors being assigned to each area.

In the fall, Mr. Logan Dickie gave the Board a lease on the land containing his pond, off Curtis Street. A dam was built to more efficiently flood the pond for winter ice skating activities, which were much enjoyed by devotees of this sport during the winter months.

### **Leach Park**

General maintenance work was carried on during the year, grass mowed, walks and shrub beds edged and repaired, trees and shrubs trimmed, and the entire area kept in good appearance.

### **Reading Common**

The Common received its usual care, grass was kept mowed, trees and shrubs trimmed, shrub beds edged, sidewalks edged, raked and smoothed.

### **W. P. A. Recreation Project**

No Park Department account for Supervised Play having been approved for 1936, playground supervisors were assigned through an E. R. A. project. Miss Evelie Irving was assigned as Supervisor of the project, and was ably assisted by a corps of experienced instructors in several popular types of sports. Classes in baseball, tennis, golf, archery, boxing, horseshoe pitching, croquet and basketball were organized for the older children and were very well attended throughout the season. Activities for the smaller children in the barn and enclosed play area included jig-saw puzzle work, ring toss, bean bag, ping-pong, singing games, paper cutting, drawing, checkers, etc., as well as the ever popular slides, sea-saws, and swings. Appended herewith is a copy of the report of the W. P. A. Supervisor.

### **Reading Playground Report E. R. A.**

Season July 5, 1935—Sept. 9, 1935.

This season the playground system consisted of three playgrounds and three baseball fields.



Average daily attendance	
Memorial Park	175
Washington Street	150
Birch Meadow	130
Torre's Field	50
Wiberg's Field	35
Junior High Field	75
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	615

This attendance shows a marked increase over a period of four years.

The program was made up of the following activities:

Active Sports:

Tennis, golf, volley ball, tag football, boxing, wrestling, tenikoit, paddle tennis, table tennis and soccer.

Quiet Games and Individual Sports:

Checkers, ring toss, skee ball, dominoes, beanbag games and croquet.

Stunts and Tumbling:

The usual stunts and tumbling events suitable for the playground ages.

Handcraft:

Paper work, fancy work, jig saw, painting, coloring and scrap books

Dancing:

Omitted this year. No piano available.

Story Hour:

Held each afternoon. Children then acted out the story.

Tennis has always been the chief sport on the playground, and this year was no exception. We had two inter-playground matches with Winchester Playground teams. Reading formed teams for both boys and girls. Our teams won 6 out of 8 matches in the first competition. In the next meet Reading again defeated Winchester by taking 8 out of 13 matches.

This year we were able to offer archery to the children. The new equipment was used by both young and older attendants at the playground. Several shoots were held to determine the best archer.

Golf:

Those who participated in the golf tournaments were instructed in the proper golf tournament technique. There was group and individual instruction in form and driving for distance.

Handcraft classes had a much larger enrollment this year and produced some very fine work. Doll's furniture, book ends, door stops, and brush holders. The fancy work class made scarfs, table runners, doilies, and cross stitch work.

One day each week was set apart for Special Events, such as Track Meets, Stunt Days and Show Days.

#### Tournaments:

The first week of August found the three playgrounds competing in contests and tournaments in sports and individual activities. Silver loving cups were presented by the Board of Public Works. All participants worked hard and fairly to win the awards.

The closing day was an eventful one. The Reading Theatre manager turned over his theatre to the playground children for a Safety Day program. There were safety pictures and a special feature picture for the children. An officer from the Governor's office addressed the group and demonstrated safety methods. The afternoon events consisted of a gala track meets, races, dashes, relays, throws, and jumps were the order of the day. Both boys and girls had their special events. There were also exhibitions of individual sports. The final event was the awarding of the silver cups. The boys and girls gathered to cheer their friends as they received their trophies.

This spring a Baseball League was organized. There were two divisions of four teams each. Players ranged from 17 to 45 years of age. More than 150 adults were team members and participants in this community league. The Selectmen contributed the equipment for the league. This recreational activity answered a need that had long been felt in Reading. Four evenings a week were set aside for games. The winners of each division met for the championship in September. Plans are under way for a similar league next year. The season closed with 150 men sitting down to a turkey banquet.

#### Junior Baseball League:

This league enrolled boys between the ages of 5 and 17. There were two leagues of four teams each, 11 years and under in one division and 12 to 15 in the other division. Inter-field rivalry was very keen. The winning team in each division were awarded sweat-shirts by the Board of Public Works.

August 5, 1935 found 150 boys at Fenway Park to see the Red Sox play the Yankees. August 20, 1935 found the same group at Braves Field. The boys had looked forward to seeing these games all season.

A Field Day was held the latter part of the month. There were contests in throwing, hitting, running the bases, throwing for distance and accuracy and fungo hitting for distance. The baseball season closed with the players attending and participating at Memorial Park in the final track meet.

#### Post-Playground Season—September to November:

The playground at Memorial Park was kept open for children and young adults. There were classes in archery, golf, tennis, and table tennis in which the High School students enrolled. The average daily attendance was 75. There were also post-school playgrounds at the

Prospect Street School and the Highland School. The attendance there was 100 daily. The instructors taught games suitable for the age groups, such as singing games for the lower grades, tenikoit, volley ball, squash, soccer, schlag ball, tag football, for the older classes. This was very successful and the school authorities would like to have the Play-ground instructors for post-school playground work in the spring.

Upon the completion of the W. P. A. Project at Washington Street Park the town will possess an excellent Park at this point. This Park and Memorial Park will require considerable attention to keep them in good condition.

I therefore recommend the addition of a part time caretaker to care for these parks during the summer months.

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**SEWER DEPARTMENT**

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To the Board of Public Works:  
Gentlemen:

The following is the yearly report of the Sewer Department:

Construction and Maint. Appro. ..		\$ 10,000.00
Construction Expenditures:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 30.93	
Supp. for Const. ....	119.35	
	<hr/>	\$ 150.28
Maintenance Expenditures:		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 2,553.09	
Insurance .....	175.33	
Int. on Bonds .....	4,090.00	
Supp. Tools and Misc. ....	819.16	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,637.58
Total .....		<hr/> \$ 7,787.86
Bal. Unexpended .....		<hr/> \$ 2,212.14

House Conn. Account Appro .....		\$ 1,000.00
Pay Roll .....	\$ 343.19	
Supp. and Pipe .....	133.31	
	<hr/>	\$ 476.50
Bal. Unexpended .....		<hr/> \$ 523.50

One main trunk sewer extension was made during the year, the labor being supplied by means of an E. R. A. project. This extension was made on Mt. Vernon Street, from the manhole at School Street easterly to the side-line of Chute Street. A total length of 130.0 feet of 8" sewer main, six Y connections for future house services, and a man hole were included in this extension. One house was connected to the new main.

The trunk sewer on Sanborn Street, north of Woburn Street was excavated and cleared of roots; also the trunk line on Main Street, near the Reading Greenhouse, was dug up and several pieces of timber found in the main were removed. Flushing of main trunk sewers was carried on periodically through the year.

Nineteen house sewer connections became clogged during the year, and were cleared. Roots growing in the pipes were the cause of the majority of the stoppages. At the Congregational Church a new man hole on the church property was built to relieve a condition at the sewer connection of the church which has caused frequent stoppages. Two house connections were relaid for a portion of their length, at no cost to the owners, due to improper laying of the services when originally installed.

Twelve new house sewer connections were made, totaling 575.80 feet in length. The reduction of sewer entrance charges, adopted in 1934, resulted in a substantial monetary saving to the owners of the property so connected.

No work was done in 1935 on repairing leaks in the main trunk sewers, due to other necessary work, although much remains to be accomplished in this respect.

The sewer department is greatly handicapped in cleaning main sewers because of the lack of proper cleaning equipment. I therefore recommend the purchase of modern sewer cleaning equipment.

## STREETS

Streets	Possible Con- nections	Completed Con- nections	Per Cent Con- nected	No Con- struction Started	Connected to Street Line	Partially Installed to House	Revenue Charges 1935
Arlington.....	12	3	25	5	3	1	\$26.96
Ash.....	17	9	53	7	..	1	72.91
Bancroft.....	22	12	55	10	..	..	145.71
Berkeley.....	27	16	59	11	..	..	197.98
Brook.....	2	1	50	1	..	..	10.97
Center.....	10	7	70	..	3	..	99.89
Chute.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	32.91
Copeland.....	7	7	100	..	..	..	152.43
Dudley.....	10	4	40	6	..	..	47.14
Eaton.....	2	2	100	..	..	..	12.27
Elliott.....	8	4	50	4	..	..	69.93
Fremont.....	4	4	100	..	..	..	63.93
Fulton.....	1	1	100	..	..	..	14.70
Gardner.....	7	4	57	3	..	..	52.65
Gould.....	3	3	100	..	..	..	52.23
Green.....	53	35	66	10	3	5	590.52
Harnden.....	9	8	89	..	1	..	224.12
Haven.....	45	29	64	7	7	2	644.91
High.....	14	5	36	7	2	..	56.58
Hillcrest.....	10	8	80	1	1	..	94.92
Howard.....	18	16	89	1	1	..	223.12
Ide.....	2	1	50	1	..	..	27.73
John.....	16	9	56	7	..	..	116.68
King.....	5	5	100	..	..	..	96.17
Kingston.....	15	13	87	2	..	..	91.07
Lincoln.....	7	4	57	..	3	..	87.08
Linden.....	11	7	69	3	..	1	107.86
Lowell.....	4	3	75	1	..	..	55.82
Main.....	50	39	78	..	9	2	1,490.90
Maple.....	2	1	50	..	1	..	12.60
Middle.....	2	1	50	1	..	..	13.30
Middlesex.....	24	14	58	6	2	2	196.35
Minot.....	12	8	67	..	2	2	93.26
Mt. Vernon.....	23	10	43	13	..	..	89.87
Park Ave.....	7	6	86	..	..	1	61.20
Parker.....	7	6	86	1	..	..	75.95
Perkins.....	7	7	100	..	..	..	130.24
Pine.....	1	1	100	..	..	..	6.00
Pleasant.....	28	14	50	14	..	..	218.75
Pratt.....	4	3	75	1	..	..	35.01
Prescott.....	52	43	83	1	5	3	451.67
Prospect.....	17	8	47	8	1	..	131.24
Salem.....	20	11	55	1	8	..	217.98
Sanborn.....	15	9	60	4	..	2	322.32
School.....	10	6	60	4	..	..	61.03
Scotland.....	1	1	100	..	..	..	6.00
Smith.....	12	12	100	..	..	..	171.21
Summer.....	18	8	44	9	..	1	103.78
Sweetser.....	5	1	20	..	3	1	7.93
Temple.....	32	9	28	..	17	6	329.05
Union.....	5	3	60	1	..	1	48.72
Village.....	22	13	59	8	..	1	208.91
Warren.....	17	14	82	..	2	1	211.01
Washington.....	29	15	52	11	3	..	183.28
Wenda.....	4	4	100	..	..	..	38.50
Wilson.....	11	9	82	2	..	..	70.90
Woburn.....	81	43	53	7	27	4	540.50
Totals.....	859	539	63	179	104	37	8,996.65

# LENGTH OF MAIN SEWERS IN STREETS

Streets	6 inch	8 inch	10 inch	12 inch	15 inch	18 inch	20 inch	24 inch	Totals
Arlington...		399.80							399.80
Ash...		822.90			258.80				1,081.70
Bancroft...		1,015.00							1,015.00
Berkeley...		1,256.10							1,256.10
Brook...								847.60	847.60
Center...		620.60							620.60
Copeland...		500.00							500.00
Dudley...		374.50							374.50
Eaton...					907.70				907.70
Elliott...		396.00							396.00
Fremont...		456.50							456.50
Gardner Rd.		475.00							475.00
Green...	175.20	1,717.40			821.60				2,714.20
Harnden...		559.30							559.30
Haven...		1,752.80							1,752.80
High...			1,338.05	736.10					2,074.15
Hillcrest...		770.80							770.80
Howard...	300.00	1,110.00							1,410.00
Interceptors		205.00						2,732.00	2,937.00
John...		266.00			569.60			178.50	1,014.10
King...	340.00	175.00							515.00
Kingston...		719.30							719.30
Lincoln...			573.40	538.10					1,111.50
Linden...	125.00	735.30							860.30
Lowell...		813.10							813.10
Main...		1,246.10		955.50			234.90		2,436.50
Marle...		189.20							189.20
Middle...		313.60							313.60
Middlesex...		1,423.40							1,423.40
Minot...		1,409.65							1,409.65
Mt. Vernon		828.52	160.00						988.52
Park...		507.30	322.70						830.00
Parker...		427.00							427.00
Perkins...		400.00							400.00
Pine...		226.00							226.00
Pleasant...		1,496.80		469.80					1,966.60
Pratt...		555.50							555.50
Prescott...		2,265.30		1,174.10					3,439.40
Prospect...		1,260.00							1,260.00
Salem...		1,004.90		132.50					1,137.40
Sanborn...		716.30							716.30
School...		688.25							688.25
Smith...			475.00						475.00
Sunmer...		1,229.40							1,229.40
Sweetser...		334.30							334.30
Temple...	896.76		432.89	661.39					1,991.04
Union...		303.60							303.60
Village...		1,015.60				487.80			1,503.40
Warren...		715.00							715.00
Washington.		424.90		246.80	312.90		1,574.30		2,558.90
Wenda...	300.00								300.00
Wilson...			471.10	333.10					804.50
Woburn...	732.80	2,915.70		917.40					4,565.90
Total....	2,869.76	37,036.72	3,773.44	6,164.79	2,870.60	487.80	1,809.20	3,758.10	58,770.41



# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

To the Board of Public Works:

Gentlemen:

The following is the yearly report of the executive office:

Appropriation .....	\$ 5,200.00
Expended:	
Salaries .....	\$ 4,111.82
Misc. Supplies .....	1,087.14
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Total .....	\$ 5,198.96
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Balance Unexpended .....	\$ 1.04

The following table shows the expenditures made this past year in all Departments, the payroll of each, and the entire expenditures of the Board of Public Works.

	B. P. W.	Water	Highway	Sewer	Park	Totals
Pay Roll	\$ 4,111.82	\$12,327.04	\$22,283.30	\$ 2,927.21	\$ 503.48	\$ 42,152.85
Bills	1,087.14	52,360.18	25,400.26	5,337.15	1,481.47	85,666.20
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Totals	\$ 5,198.96	\$64,687.22	\$47,683.56	\$ 8,264.36	\$ 1,984.95	\$127,819.05

In closing this report, the Superintendent wishes to thank the members of the Board for their many helpful suggestions and kindnesses extended to him during the year, and also to express his appreciation of the co-operation and interest of all those in any way associated with him in carrying on the work of the Department, and to acknowledge the helpful suggestions and assistance which he has received from other Department heads in the town.

PHILIP P. WELCH, Superintendent.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS

For the year Ended December 31,

1935

# IN MEMORIAM

JOSEPHINE M. BARLOW

ADDIE A. COPELAND

E. FRANCES GREENHALGH

IDA C. LUCAS

ETHEL S. WILLIAMS

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*" . . . . have done service  
that is worth the name."*

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

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### School Committee

Frank D. Tanner, 91 Oak Street	Term expires 1938
Irving C. Austin, 96 Prescott Street	Term expires 1933
Arthur W. Coolidge, Ch., 136 Summer Avenue	Term expires 1937
Mrs. Esther Twombly, 10 Berkeley Street	Term expires 1937
Mrs. Ruth M. Stembridge, 74 King Street	Term expires 1936
Dr. Charles R. Wakeling, 25 Linden Street	Term expires 1936

### School Committee Office

Grouard House, 9 School Street	Telephone, Reading 0180
Open daily, 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.	Saturday, 9:00 a. m. to 12m.
Vacations, 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.	

### Superintendent of Schools

Arthur E. Pierce, 38 Vine Street	Tel. Res. 0243; Office 0180
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### Secretary to Superintendent

Ruth C. Roberts, 134 Woburn Street	Tel. Res. 1083-M; Office 0180
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### School Committee Clerk

Hope R. Williamson, 44 Vine Street	Tel. Res. 1338; Office 0180
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### Supervisor of Attendance

Josephine L. Fowler, 65 Temple Street	Tel. Res. 0488-J; Office 0180
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### School Physician

Dr. Charles R. Henderson, 126 Woburn Street	Telephone 0580
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### School Nurse

Mabel M. Brown, 94 Maple Street, Malden	Tel. Res. 0048-M; Office 1475
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### No School Signals

Fire alarm 2-2 repeated three times.

Street lights turned on for five minutes.

7:30 a. m. for Senior High School, Jr. High School, Highland School, and Opportunity School.

8:15 a. m. for Grades 1—4 inclusive, morning session.

12:45 p. m. for Grades 1—4 inclusive, afternoon session.

EVEN WHEN THERE HAS BEEN NO SCHOOL IN THE MORNING FOR THE FIRST FOUR GRADES, THERE WILL BE SCHOOL IN THE AFTERNOON UNLESS THE NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL IS GIVEN.

To keep the schools open every day, if possible, is the policy of the management. This affords parents the choice either of sending pupils to school or of keeping them at home as the parent considers the conditions warrant in his particular case.

### School Clinics

Dental, Wednesday and Friday at the Grouard House, 9-12 and 1-4.

Habit, every Tuesday at 2:30 in Nurse's office at High School.

Posture, second Monday in the month at the Channel House.

Pre-School, at the Town Building, Room 19, every Tuesday, 2-4 p. m.

Tuberculosis Prevention, by special appointment.

Diphtheria Prevention, by special appointment.

### School Janitors

#### High School:

John Maguire, Fairview Ave. .... Telephone: 0581-W

Charles Cummings, 25 Lincoln St. ....

Mary L. Kennedy, 47 Washington St. ....

#### Junior High School:

Henry W. Bryden, 14 Village St. .... 1345-W

Walter Smith, 30 Temple St. .... 1445-M

Fred Riessle, 4 King St. .... 1199-M

Agnes Hurley, 10 Chute St. ....

#### Highland School:

James L. Healey, 139 West St. .... 0047-M

Arthur H. Cook, 170 High St. .... 0044-W

Emma Tibbetts, 9 School St. .... 0460-M

Center and Union St. Schools: Edward McBrien, 18 Salem St. 0228

Prospect St. School: J. Fred Richardson, 17 Prospect St. .... 0161-J

Lowell St. School: Sylvanus L. Thompson, 8 Intervale Ter. .... 0827

Chestnut Hill: Leander Smith, 169 High St. .... 1488-W



## SCHOOL SCHEDULE

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January, 1936 to June, 1937, inclusive

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Schools open	January 2, 1936
Winter Vacation week of	February 24, 1936
Spring Vacation week of	April 20, 1936
No Session—Bunker Hill Day	June 17, 1936
Schools close for summer	June 19, 1936

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Schools open	September 9, 1936
No sessions:	
Columbus Day	October 12, 1936
Teachers' Convention	October 16, 1936
Armistice Day	November 11, 1936
Thanksgiving Recess from noon Nov. 25, 1936, to Nov. 30, 1936.	
Christmas Vacation from close of regular session on Wednesday, December 23, 1936, to January 4, 1937.	
Winter Vacation week of	February 22, 1937
Spring Vacation week of	April 19, 1937
No sessions:	
Memorial Day	May 31, 1937
Bunker Hill Day	June 17, 1937
Schools close for summer	June 25, 1937

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of Reading:

The School Department has operated during the past year within its budget appropriations and is returning to the Town unexpended balances as follows: Salary Account \$677.16; Maintenance Account \$217.03; Agricultural Account \$542.43; Industrial Tuition \$1,028.28.

Last year the Committee recommended a partial restoration of salary cuts as of September 1st. The Town did not vote the required money. The Department has found itself in a competitive field and has encountered increasing difficulty in attracting experienced, desirable teachers at the salaries now prevailing in Reading, when all Federal and State employees have received restoration of salary reductions and the majority of the cities and towns of the State have made complete or partial restoration of salaries to teachers. If we continue long at a disparity in salaries, our teaching force must suffer. Last year the turnover in the teaching force was 18%. Other factors contribute toward this result, but it is, nevertheless, a far too high percentage. The Committee recommends a complete salary restoration as of March 1st. In fairness, we believe this is due to a faithful group of employees. It is essential if we are to maintain our own present standards.

We regret to record that during the year five teachers of experience were lost by death: Ethel S. Williams, Addie A. Copeland, Josephine M. Barlow, E. Frances Greenhalgh, and Ida C. Lucas.

Mr. Raymond A. Blaisdell, who has been Principal of the Walter S. Parker Junior High School since the school was opened, resigned to accept a principalship in Newton. Mr. Robert F. Perry from Nashua, N. H. was elected Principal of the Junior High School.

With the help of the Administrator of Federal activities, the Welfare and the Public Works departments, much work has been done on school grounds and buildings. The Prospect Street School grounds have been graded and partially fenced, with lawns between sidewalks and fences, and the rest of the grounds developed for play purposes. During the year, a survey of all school buildings has been made for fire hazards.

The athletic field at the Junior High has been in daily use by the Department of Physical Education and has staged all of the outdoor interscholastic contests. It has proved a factor in putting the athletic program on a self-sustaining basis.

To help meet the problems of unemployed youth, a program of adult education has been offered, with volunteer teachers conducting courses in International Relations, Photography, Carpentry and Shop Work, Money and Banking, Parliamentary Law, and Municipal Government. Attendance, interest, and results warrant the further development of this plan. The thanks of the Committee is extended to the volunteer teachers and the group of advisors who have made this activity possible.

A plan for guidance and job-securing counsel was worked out dependent on W. P. A. aid. The budget did not permit this plan being set up when the Federal aid was not forthcoming.

Further study has been given to the Elementary Grades. The employment of one additional teacher and the adoption of new reading and arithmetic textbooks are the tangible results of these studies.

An immediate problem facing the Department is that of transportation. At present, we are providing transportation in the Elementary Grades to all children who live over a mile from the school they attend, and to children in the Junior High who live over a mile-and-a-quarter from the school. Because of the lack of sidewalks on some streets, the safety factor must be considered, but increasing numbers and increasing costs will soon make it necessary to spend substantially more money for transportation or to cut down the number transported.

The Committee has received the cordial co-operation of the Town officials and of the other Town departments. The Committee expresses its appreciation to the Superintendent, Mr. Pierce, the supervisors, the principals, teachers and other employees for their help in making the year one of progress and accomplishment.

Mrs. Helen B. Hartshorn resigned from the Committee because of a change in residence. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of Mrs. Esther D. Twombly.

The terms of Dr. Charles R. Wakeling and Mrs. Ruth A. Stembridge expire this year.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING C. AUSTIN  
ARTHUR W. COOLIDGE, Chairman  
RUTH M. STEMBRIDGE  
FRANK D. TANNER  
ESTHER D. TWOMBLY  
CHARLES R. WAKELING

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS NOT FROM TAX LEVY SHOWING NET COST TO TOWN

1935	General Account	Estimate 1936
\$217,217.81	Total Expenditure .....	\$235,676.05
	Receipts:	
\$ 16,915.00	State Reimbursement .....	\$ 17,160.00
7,059.38	Tuition .....	8,750.00
118.54	Sundry .....	100.00
(10,614.10)*	Due but not paid 12/31/35 .....	10,614.10
24,092.72	Total Receipts .....	\$ 36,624.10
\$193,125.09	NET COST TO TOWN .....	\$199,051.85
	<b>Agricultural Account</b>	
\$ 2,503.97	Total Expenditure .....	\$ 3,101.08

Receipts:

\$ 1,262.98	State Aid to Industrial School .....	\$ 935.79
652.00	Tuition .....	800.00
279.97	Smith-Hughes Fund .....	379.33
36.91	George Reed Fund .....	—
(634.78)*	Due but not paid 12/31/35 .....	\$ 634.78
2,231.86	Total Receipts .....	\$ 2,749.90
\$ 272.11	NET COST TO TOWN .....	\$ 351.18
<b>Industrial Tuition</b>		
\$ 471.72	Total Expenditure .....	\$ 1,100.00
585.40**	Receipts:	260.38
	State Reimbursement .....	—
\$ 103.68	NET GAIN	\$ 839.62
	NET COST TO TOWN .....	

\* Not included in Total Receipts.

\*\* This figure is larger than the 1935 expenditure because it is based on the expenditure for 1934 which was considerably larger.

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET—1936

Est. Appro. 1936	Detail	Expended 1935
	<b>SALARIES:</b>	
\$161,885.66	Supt. and Teachers .....	\$145,044.36
2,081.00	Substitutes .....	1,537.25
17,247.39	Janitors .....	15,796.30
500.00	Attendance Officer .....	457.01
1,961.00	Nurse .....	1,774.92
987.00	Medical Inspection .....	935.00
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\$184,662.05	TOTAL SALARIES	\$165,544.84
	<b>MAINTENANCE:</b>	
	<b>General Control:</b>	
\$ 350.00	Supplies—Supt's. Office .....	\$ 345.63
350.00	Research and Professional Study .....	630.70
160.00	Printing .....	157.23
1,000.00	Other Expenses .....	1,259.87
6.00	Post Office Box .....	6.00
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\$ 1,866.00	TOTAL GENERAL CONTROL	\$ 2,399.43
	<b>Instruction:</b>	
\$ 600.00	Supervision Expenses .....	\$ 387.97
383.00	Prin. Office Expenses .....	411.43
2,915.00	Textbooks .....	3,324.28
5,384.00	Supplies .....	6,704.63
330.00	Supplementary Books .....	807.85
355.00	Commencement .....	331.61
990.00	Other Expenses of Instruction .....	1,239.34
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\$ 10,957.00	TOTAL INSTRUCTION	\$ 13,207.11

Est. Appro. 1936	Detail	Expended 1935
<b>Operation of Plant:</b>		
\$ 1,445.00	Janitor's Supplies .....	\$ 1,456.05
5,701.00	Fuel .....	7,271.21
1,113.00	Water and Sewer .....	1,108.34
1,631.00	Electricity .....	1,617.51
425.00	Gas .....	419.37
493.00	Telephone .....	492.82
67.00	Freight and Drayage .....	65.52
300.00	Other Expenses of Operation .....	174.82
500.00	Grouard House .....	504.53
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\$ 11,675.00	TOTAL OPERATION	\$13 110.21
<b>Maintenance of Plant:</b>		
1,400.00	Grounds .....	\$ 463.07
3,073.00	Buildings .....	3,624.83
647.00	Service Systems .....	2,403.76
373.00	Plumbing .....	924.71
320.00	Instructional Apparatus .....	479.52
55.00	Furniture .....	217.48
1,275.00	Other Expenses .....	690.15
190.00	Grouard House .....	1,478.59
4,385.00	W. P. A. work—Materials .....	<hr/>
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\$ 11,718.00	TOTAL MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	\$ 10,282.11
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>		
\$ 1,740.00	Alterations and Additions .....	\$ 1,393.10
830.00	Furniture .....	260.86
380.00	Instructional Apparatus .....	<hr/>
200.00	Other Outlay .....	1,150.57
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\$ 3,150.00	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 2,804.53



Est. Appro. 1936	Detail	Expended 1935
<b>Auxiliary Agencies:</b>		
\$ 3,000.00	Transportation .....	\$ 6,290.09
342.00	Tuition to other schools .....	208.00
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\$ 8,342.00	TOTAL AUXILIARY AGENCIES	\$ 6,498.09
<b>Co-ordinate Activities:</b>		
\$ 125.00	Compulsory Attendance .....	\$ 48.15
39.00	Medical Service .....	35.49
280.00	Nurse Service .....	291.91
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\$ 444.00	TOTAL CO-ORDINATE ACTIVITIES	\$ 375.55
<b>Fixed Charges:</b>		
\$ 2,862.00	Insurance .....	\$ 3,013.44
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\$ 51,014.00	TOTAL GENERAL MAINTENANCE	\$ 51,672.97
 \$235,676.05	 GRAND TOTAL	 \$217,217.31
<b>AGRICULTURAL ACCOUNT:</b>		
\$ 2,951.08	Salaries .....	\$ 2,389.44
150.00	Expenses .....	114.53
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\$ 3,101.03	TOTAL AGRICULTURE	\$ 2,503.97
 \$ 1,100.00	 INDUSTRIAL TUITION	 \$ 471.72

## CHANGE IN PERSONNEL—1935

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### Left:

Josephine M. Barlow (deceased)	High School—English	March
E. Frances Greenhalgh (deceased)	High School—Commercial	March
Addie A. Copeland (deceased)	Center School	May
Henry J. Downes	High School—Coach	June
Mercie V. Nichols	Art Supervisor	June
Raymond W. Blaisdell	Jr. High Principal	June
A. Louise Fogg	Highland School	June
Elizabeth Larkin	Highland School	June
A. Louise Breeze	Center School	June
Helen L. Frost	Jr. High—Art	June
Abigail H. Mingo	Sec. to Supt., Attend. Super.	July
Ida C. Lucas (deceased)	High School—Comm'l Geog.	Nov.
Ethel S. Williams (deceased)	Jr. High—Commercial	Nov.
Beatrice Bryden	Highland School—Sec.	Nov.
Josephine Carleton	Chestnut Hill School	Dec.

### Appointed:

Miriam Tilden	Jr. High—Science	Jan.
Anne Gutman	Highland School	Jan.
Ruth C. Roberts	Sec. to Superintendent	August
Josephine Fowler	Attendance Supervisor	Sept.
Edward P. Batchelder	High School—Coach	Sept.
Blanche Dufault	High School—Comm'l	Sept.
Elizabeth MacIver	High School—Comm'l	Sept.
Robert F. Perry	Jr. High—Principal	Sept.
Margaret Leviston	Jr. High—Art	Sept.
Louise Borden	Highland School	Sept.
Pauline D. Farrell	Opportunity School	Sept.
Mary L. Macken	Highland School	Sept.
Esther Hallington	Center School	Sept.
Jeanne Sweetland	Center School	Sept.
Jean Wiens	High School—English	Sept.
Hildegard Goranson	Jr. High—Commercial	Nov.

# TEACHERS IN SERVICE, DECEMBER 31, 1935, WHERE EDUCATED, YEAR APPOINTED

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School	Name of Teacher	Year Appointed	Grade or Subjects Taught	Graduate of	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent of Attendance	Enrollment Oct. 1, 1935
High.	Arthur E. Pierce.....	1934	Superintendent of Schools	*Mass. State B.S.; Harvard, Ed.M.	2,496	2,281.47	2,102.22	91.20	2,340
	Josephine L. Fowler.....	1935	Supervisor of Attendance	Buffalo Normal School					
	Ruth C. Roberts.....	1935	Sec'y to Superintendent	B. U., A.B.					
	Hore R. Williamson.....	1931	School Committee Clerk	B. U., Sec. Cert.					
	Verna L. Wadleigh.....	1927	Dir. Research and Guidance	*B. U. 3 yrs; Harvard Grad. School					
	Philip W. Althoff.....	1927	Dir. Phys. Ed. and Athletics	Springfield College, B.P.E.					
	Mabel M. Brown.....	1921	Director Health	B. U., B.S.Ed; Mass. Memor. Hosp.					
	Ruth Froberg.....	1935	Clerk	Reading High School					
	Charles R. Henderson, M.D.....	1917	Medical Inspector	Conn. Ag. B.S. Agr.; B. U., B.S.Ed.	583	528	494.35	93.19	573
	Rudolf Sussman.....	1926	Principal	Reading High School					
	Myrtle W. Tilton.....	1935	Secretary	*Tufts, B.S.					
	Edward P. Batchelder.....	1915	Coach, History	Salem Nor.; B. U., B.S.Ed.					
	Elizabeth A. Batchelder.....	1915	Com. English, and Type.	Gorham Nor.; B. U., B.S.Ed.					
	Clarissa I. Brown.....	1924	English	*Bay Path Inst.					
	Elva A. Buckley.....	1924	Shorthand and Type.	Ohio Wesleyan, A.B.; Harvard, M.A.					
	A. Imrie Dixon.....	1930	History	*Posse Normal, Salem Normal					
	Alberta F. Drury.....	1917	Bookkeeping and Penmanship	*Plymouth Normal, B.E.					
	Blanche M. Dufault.....	1935	Shorthand and Type.	Raddcliffe, A.B., A.M.					
	Helen M. England.....	1929	English	*Raddcliffe, A.B.					
	Helene M. Ernst.....	1931	German, History	Boston College, A.B.					
	Joseph F. Fitzgerald.....	1929	History, Geometry	Bowdoin, A.B.; B. U., A.M.					
	Luke Halpin.....	1922	Mathematics	Mt. Holyoke, A.B.					
	Mildred Holden.....	1934	Latin	Univ. of Missouri, A.B.					
	Lillian H. Jenkins.....	1930	Biology, Physics, Science	*B. U., P. A. L., B.S.					
	Elizabeth J. MacIver.....	1935	Arith. Shorthand, and Type.	Sargent School; B. U., B.S.					
	Florence G. Nichols.....	1929	Physical Ed. High and Elem.	*B. U., A.B., A.M.					
	Samuel A. W. Peck.....	1931	Music—High and Jr. High	Colby, B.S.; Harvard, Ed.M.					
	Fredrick J. Pope.....	1922	Chemistry and Physics	Wellesley, A.B.					
	Marian T. Pratt.....	1919	French and English	*B. U., A.B., M.A.					
	Carmen Simon.....	1928	French and English	Mass. State College, B.S.					
	Hermion T. Wheeler.....	1924	Agriculture	*Kronos College, Univ. of Wisconsin, A.B., Emerson College of Oratory B.L.I.					
	Jean M. Wiens.....	1935	English and Public Speaking	United States Naval Academy, B.S. Chandler Secretarial	602	569.92	521.08	92.03	591
Jr. High.....	Robert F. Perry.....	1935	Principal						
	Doris Skinner.....	1925	Secretary						

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Jr. High . . . . .	Natalie Cate . . . . .	1935	Clerk . . . . .	Reading High School . . . . .	34	32.02	30.32	94.71	..
	George D. Anderson . . . . .	1926	Mathematics . . . . .	*B. U. Grad. School, S.B., A.M. . . . .	35	33.31	30.87	92.67	..
	Helen B. Bean . . . . .	1931	English . . . . .	Wellesley, A.B. . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Marian D. Day . . . . .	1918	Science . . . . .	Beverly High . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Lyman E. Farcy . . . . .	1925	Woodworking, Sketching . . . . .	Mass. Normal Art . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Hildegard E. Goranson . . . . .	1935	Bus. Training, Tyre., Spelling . . . . .	B. U. C.L.A., B.S. . . . .	32	30.68	29.28	95.60	..
	Grace M. Harriman . . . . .	1928	Soc. Studies, Guidance . . . . .	*Radcliffe, A.B.; Harvard, A.M. . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Walter E. Hawkes . . . . .	1933	Phys. Ed. and Hygiene . . . . .	Springfield, B.S. . . . .	28	26.97	25.31	93.73	..
	Grace Heffron . . . . .	1930	English . . . . .	Tufts, A.B. . . . .	34	33.67	30.16	89.58	..
	Genevieve P. Hook . . . . .	1931	English, French, Latin . . . . .	Univ. Vermont, A.B.; Radcliffe, A.M. . . . .	32	28.66	26.68	93.02	..
	Louise B. Jenkins . . . . .	1920	Social Studies . . . . .	Bridgewater Normal; B. U., B.S.Ed. . . . .	35	31.39	29.45	94.28	..
	Margaret Leviston . . . . .	1935	Art . . . . .	*B. U., B.S. Ed. . . . .	35	33.99	25.52	87.75	..
	Inez H. Lewis . . . . .	1923	Mathematics . . . . .	Gorham Normal . . . . .	34	32.46	30.57	94.09	..
	Helen T. McGill . . . . .	1928	English . . . . .	Wheaton, A.B. . . . .	31	30.05	28.17	93.72	..
	Claudia Perry . . . . .	1928	English . . . . .	Radcliffe, A.B. . . . .	29	28.63	26.42	93.16	..
	Victor E. Pitkin . . . . .	1933	Social Studies . . . . .	*Clark Univ., A.B., A.M. . . . .	33	31.05	28.66	92.41	..
	Dorothy Randall . . . . .	1929	Mathematics . . . . .	Radcliffe, A.B. . . . .	29	28.76	26.07	90.62	..
	Anna M. Reck . . . . .	1928	Special Class . . . . .	Radcliffe, A.B. . . . .	28	26.64	26.84	91.60	18
	William A. Rich . . . . .	1928	Mathematics . . . . .	*Salem Normal; B. U., B.S. Ed. . . . .	21	19.38	16.10	82.82	..
	Frances K. Shelly . . . . .	1933	Home Economics . . . . .	Home Room . . . . .	31	28.51	26.50	92.09	..
Highland . . . . .	Miriam Tilden . . . . .	1933	General Science . . . . .	Juniaata College, B.S. . . . .	37	33.37	29.24	89.32	..
	Margaret E. Tyacke . . . . .	1926	Phys. Ed. and Hygiene . . . . .	*Bridgewater Normal, B.S. Ed. . . . .	34	31.87	29.50	92.00	..
	John M. Woodbridge, Jr. . . . .	1930	Social Studies, Bus. Practice . . . . .	Girls High Sch., Boston; Harvard Summer . . . . .	30	28.51	25.42	95.35	..
	Halden L. Harding . . . . .	1927	Grades 3 and 4 . . . . .	*Harvard, A.B., Ed.M.; Harv. Bus., M.B.A. . . . .	*30	37.53	34.29	91.56	36*
	M. Grace Wakfield . . . . .	1890	Prim. Hld., Center, Union . . . . .	Salem Normal . . . . .	874	802.67	742.45	91.80	809
	Alice Arsenault . . . . .	1935	Secretary . . . . .	Salem Normal . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Dorothy Allard . . . . .	1927	Hist., Sci., Reading . . . . .	Reading High School . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Louise Borden . . . . .	1935	Grade 6 . . . . .	Salem Normal . . . . .	39	35.95	35.42	98.52	41
	Lillian F. Brann . . . . .	1930	Grade 5 . . . . .	Bridgewater Tchr. Col., B. U., B.S.Ed., M.E. . . . .	36	32.83	32.93	94.15	29
	Marjorie Buckle . . . . .	1927	Physical Education . . . . .	Farmington State Normal, 1 year . . . . .	37	33.93	29.50	86.92	32
	Matilda J. Gamble . . . . .	1920	Grade 5 . . . . .	*Posse-Nissen School of Phys. Ed. . . . .	..	..	..	..	..
	Carolyn C. Grace . . . . .	1919	History . . . . .	*Woburn High School . . . . .	40	36.43	33.40	92.40	41
	Anne Gutman . . . . .	1935	Grade 5 . . . . .	North Adams Normal . . . . .	37	34.00	31.33	92.07	34
	Mary T. Macken . . . . .	1935	Grade 5 . . . . .	*Bridgewater and Salem Teachers College . . . . .	39	38.10	35.69	93.65	42
	..	..	..	*Emmanuel College, A.B. . . . .	32	30.23	26.51	87.54	29

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Highland	Helena Markham.....	1934	Grades 3 and 4.....	*Framingham Normal.....	30	27.37	25.66	92.39	31
	Florence Potter.....	1925	Grade 5.....	Plymouth, N. H. Normal.....	39	35.36	32.40	91.63	42
	Annie W. Ouilien.....	1916	Grade 6.....	Salem Teachers College.....	35	34.36	31.42	92.20	34
	Margaret Scullane.....	1934	Grade 6.....	*Lowell State Teachers College.....	38	35.52	33.45	94.04	36
	Florence Thackberry.....	1931	Grade 6.....	*Plymouth Normal, Boston University.....	31	28.29	25.81	91.36	24
Opportunity Center.....	Mary M. Walsh.....	1934	Grade 6.....	*Westfield Normal; B. U., B.S. Ed.....	*Not included in 602 above.	30.05	28.67	95.10	33
	Margaret Whittier.....	1916	Music Grades 1-6.....	*Salem Normal.....	32	.....	.....	.....	15
	Pauline D. Farrell.....	1935	Lower Opportunity.....	*Framingham Nor.; B. U., B.S. Ed.....	.....	19.31	17.35	89.85	16
	Helen D. Stockwell.....	1930	Opportunity.....	*Salem Normal.....	21	37.33	34.88	93.44	23
	Dorothy L. Cronin.....	1933	Grade 4.....	*Lowell St. Teachers College, B.S.....	43	34.10	32.45	93.18	26
	Helen Donnelly.....	1935	Grade 1.....	*B. U., B.S. Ed., Ed.M.....	36	33.38	26.64	89.13	27
	Esther Hallington.....	1935	Grade 3.....	R. I. State Teachers, B. Ed.....	33	29.88	35.95	90.89	36
	Edna Lounsbury.....	1930	Grade 3.....	*Salem Normal.....	45	37.41	34.07	91.10	34
	Norma Perkins.....	1928	Grade 4.....	*Salem Normal.....	40	37.52	37.88	94.41	36
	Jeanne Sweetland.....	1935	Grade 3.....	Wheelock School; B. U., B.S. Ed.....	39	37.49	34.82	91.98	39
Union St.....	Alice D. Berry.....	1927	Grade 1.....	Bridgewater Normal.....	45	37.35	33.82	90.57	38
	Winifred Cochrane.....	1920	Grade 1.....	Plymouth N. H. Normal.....	41	37.35	33.82	90.57	38
	Glenna Dow.....	1919	Grade 2.....	*Caribou High, Emerson 1 yr.....	33	29.44	24.70	86.61	35
	Alberta Mathieson.....	1924	Grade 2.....	Salem Normal.....	33	30.88	27.70	89.99	36
Lowell St.....	Nellie Beaton.....	1920	Grade 4, Principal.....	*Danvers High School.....	36	32.67	30.71	93.83	30
	Dorothy Burgess.....	1926	Grade 1.....	Lesley Normal.....	52	38.26	32.75	85.16	39
	Doris Cleary.....	1927	Grade 2.....	*Salem Normal.....	40	34.55	31.28	90.83	38
	Isabel Winchester.....	1928	Grade 3.....	*Salem Normal.....	36	34.44	31.19	90.69	38
Prospect St.....	Ada Dow.....	1908	Grade 3, Principal.....	Emerson, Lowell Normal.....	33	29.40	26.54	91.64	38
	Jessie Goddard.....	1926	Grade 2.....	Bridgewater Normal.....	45	39.66	36.17	91.06	43
	Velma Herrick.....	1927	Grade 1.....	Perry Kindergarten Normal.....	48	40.30	35.16	89.39	29
	Olive Royce.....	1928	Grade 4.....	Wheelock Kindergarten School.....	40	36.32	34.09	93.68	27
Chestnut Hill	Irene Royce.....	1926	Grades 1 and 2, Principal.....	*Arostock State Normal, 1 yr.....	40	33.84	29.86	88.35	26
	†Josephine Carleton.....	1932	Grades 3 and 4.....	Lowell Normal; B. U., B.S. Ed.....	28	23.91	22.30	93.54	31
Total Elementary.....					1,311	.....	.....	.....	1,176

\* Have taken extra courses for credit in 1935.

† Resigned December 31, 1935.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, 1935

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To the School Committee,  
Reading, Massachusetts  
Dear Sirs:

I present herewith my second annual report, it being the forty-third of the series of reports issued by the superintendent of the public schools of this town.

The year for me has been a happy one. The pleasure of working with the people of Reading, the school staff, and with yourselves has more than fulfilled my anticipations. I said in my last report that the schools of Reading are good schools. The past year has made me even more sure of that statement. Weaknesses do, of course, exist. Some of them have been discovered and at least partly overcome. We are at work on others.

The year has also had its sorrowful aspect, for the death of the teachers mentioned elsewhere was a sad blow to all their associates and to the children and people of the town. We who worked with them can but take further inspiration from the monument of unselfish service that they erected during life.

In the remainder of my report I shall attempt to set forth what I believe to be the state of the schools. In so doing, I shall incorporate the essential elements of the reports of the other supervisory and department officers. As a measure of economy, their reports will not appear as such.

### THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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Our tests early in the school year of 1934-1935 revealed a weakness in arithmetic fundamentals. An intensive remedial program was put into operation with the result that the tests given in April, 1935 showed all grades to be up to standard and all except one grade to be well above standard. This one grade, the fifth, had, however, in ten months gained eleven months over the April, 1934 test. The present seventh grade, last year's sixth, made much better scores on the Junior High School tests given in September than have previous groups. The Junior High School teachers report the group better prepared.

The reading test showed all but one grade to be above standard, and that grade was at standard.

This does not mean, of course, that all children were up to standard, but that the median marks for each grade were. A program of remedial work in reading and in arithmetic is in operation, and through it we hope to overcome many of the weaknesses of those children who are behind.



An English test given to the sixth grade in September showed that grade median to be well up to standard. Some of the groups were surprisingly high. The principal weakness was found to be in punctuation, and steps have been taken to overcome that weakness.

### **Arithmetic**

It has long been felt that many phases of arithmetic have been placed too early in the grades to be at the level of the mental maturity of the children. Recent scientific investigations have borne out this belief. Because of this and because of the arithmetic weakness mentioned above, a committee on arithmetic was appointed in November, 1934. That committee made a thorough-going study of grade placement, methods, and textbooks. Its study was completed early in the present school year. Its conclusions resulted in the stepping-up to a higher grade of certain phases of the work; i. e., long division from the fourth to the fifth grade, division of fractions from grade five to grade six, etc. The function of grades one and two will be to provide, through informal teaching, a background of understanding that will make numbers have real meaning, and, so, not be mere abstractions.

The study also resulted in the selection of a new basal book which fits in with the revised course of study. It is hoped that with the aid of this book and the new course a better mastery of the fundamentals will result, and that it will come with less strain to the children.

### **Reading**

There was also appointed a committee on reading to deal particularly with the first three grades. The primary purpose was to choose a new basal text. The book in use was too heavy in its vocabulary and held little interest for the children. Some of its methods were open to question.

The reading committee completed its study in November. A new basal series for grades one through three was selected. The book is attractive to children, has interesting reading material, and a lighter, yet adequate, vocabulary. The teachers are all enthusiastic about the new book. Good results should come from it.

I wish here to pay tribute to the members of the reading committee under the chairmanship of Miss Wadleigh, and of the arithmetic committee under the chairmanship of Mr. George Anderson of the Junior High School, for the long hours of painstaking and thorough work they did in arriving at their conclusions. You will be interested to know that the charts they prepared in analyzing various textbooks have since been used in education classes at Harvard and Boston University as examples of good textbook analysis. A list of the members of the various committees appears elsewhere.

A great deal of work has also been done on the social studies, and an English committee is now at work.



### General

It became necessary in September to reopen the class that was closed several years ago in the Opportunity School. This means that a larger number of children are now getting an opportunity to do work commensurate with their ability. It means, also, that the regular classroom teachers do not have to spend such a disproportionate part of their time in attempting to help those same children do work for which they are not ready.

In the Highland School, a new curtain that has very much improved the appearance of the auditorium has been purchased for the stage. It was paid for almost entirely with money earned by the school. Mr. Everett Hall of Reading deserves our thanks for his help in getting this curtain.

### ———— JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ————

Mr. Raymond Blaisdell's resignation, to accept a position in Newton, deprived Reading of the services of a fine personality and a splendid educator. He has built well and soundly. The good repute of the Reading Junior High School is due largely to his understanding and foresight. What was Reading's loss was Newton's gain. Mr. Blaisdell has the sincere best wishes of his fellow-workers and townsmen of Reading for his success and happiness in his new work.

What was Nashua's loss is Reading's gain, for we are most fortunate in having secured Mr. Robert F. Perry, formerly of Nashua, to succeed Mr. Blaisdell. Mr. Perry is well fitted by training, experience, and, most important, by personality, to carry on and forward the work of our Junior High School. He has already won a place in the respect and admiration of his associates and of his pupils.

### Typewriting

All information that we can get indicates that typewriting is of little value in the junior high school, particularly as most pupils now go on to the high school. Efficiency in typewriting demands continual practice. It has been offered but twice a week in our Junior High School to the commercial pupils of the eighth and ninth grades. This is not sufficient time to make for proficiency in operative skill. It has been found that the typewriting pupils in the High School who have not had the work in the Junior High School become just as proficient as those who have had it. No added time for the work can be justified in the Junior High School, for the work in the introductory course in general business training demands the time and is of more ultimate value. Furthermore, the upkeep of typewriters and equipment makes the work too expensive for the results it obtains.

Upon my recommendation, you voted to eliminate the typewriting in grade eight for this year. I now recommend that it be eliminated from grade nine for the school year 1936-37.

### **Committees**

The school staff has, since September, been organized into committees to study the following questions :

1. General administration, particularly as it relates to pupil accounting, business accounting, the extra-curricula program, the homeroom organization as it relates to guidance, and the administration and supervision of the school building as it relates to traffic, discipline, etc.

2. English—a part of the committee on English for all of the schools—with particular reference to reorganization of the course of study and a choice of new basal texts, and to making good English function at all times, as well as in the English class.

3. Social studies, for the purpose of further revision of the guide sheets, units of work, and methods of procedure. It is hoped that where the work has, in some instances, been too heavy for some of the pupils, it will be possible to simplify it.

### **Guidance**

Further efforts are being made to improve the system of guidance as carried on by the homeroom teachers. With no full-time guidance specialist, a large part of the work must be handled by the teachers. Good work is being done, and it will be improved. The vocational aspect of the guidance is playing an increasingly minor part in the junior high school. It belongs more properly in the high school where the students are more nearly ready to enter into regular employment.

### **Arithmetic Fundamentals**

The Junior High School does not neglect the fundamentals. In connection with our arithmetic study, we found that the class entering that school in 1934 was well below norm in arithmetic. Through work in the remedial and regular classes, the teachers in one year brought this class to a medium norm that indicated three year's growth in mastery of the fundamentals.

## **———— HIGH SCHOOL ————**

### **College Preparatory Work**

We recognize the need for offering to the pupils of the high school who are not going to college a broad and varied program of studies in order to meet their various needs and interests. At the same time, we must be sure that those who are going to college have adequate and proper preparation. Apparently, such is the case, for all college board examinations attempted in June were passed, in one instance with honor

grades. Those colleges that admit on certificate have not hesitated to renew our certification privilege. The record in college of last year's graduating class is a creditable one.

College entrance requirements are changing. In many instances, the number of specified subjects has been lowered, and some colleges have done away with all subject requirements and admit pupils on the basis of demonstrated power. This trend should have beneficial effects, for it will broaden the scope of subjects that college preparatory pupils may take and still fulfill college requirements.

### **Social Studies**

The social studies, those studies such as geography, history, civics, economics, sociology, etc., that deal with the efforts of men to get along economically and socially in their respective environments, are necessarily, in this age, coming to play an increasingly important part in the work of the schools. The High School program of studies in this field has been in process of development over a period of about five years. Further work is still necessary, but the students now have a rather wide scope of courses to choose from in making their elections. Each student is required to take some one of the social studies each year. They may now elect from the following: Ancient Civilization, World History, Modern History, American History and Government, Problems of Democracy, and Commercial Geography. It is hoped that further work in economics and sociology can be made available either by broadening the scope of the Problems of Democracy course or by adding other courses.

It is interesting to note that in our High School and in all schools the pupils have indicated over the past several years a decided increase in interest in the social studies. The elections in that field in our school have shown a marked trend upward.

### **Employment**

Eventually we should have as an integral part of our program, work in vocational counseling, carried on by a trained worker and embracing employment aid to our students and graduates. Even without such a person, the High School is giving substantial help. I quote from Mr. Sussmann's report to me: "The school has placed many boys and girls in good positions during the past year. Time was when we had more demand for our young graduates, especially commercial students, than we could meet. The past year has shown an increase in student employment. The school keeps a fairly complete file of available students and jobs, for the use of employers and students."

### **The Building**

The High School building is becoming increasingly inadequate, both from the point of view on housing the pupils and, also, of provid-

ing facilities for work in physical education and in vocational or pre-vocational fields. Many pupils who used to drop out of school cannot now get employment. They are remaining in school. If present proposed legislation to raise the compulsory school age is enacted, it will, even in Reading, tend to keep other pupils in school. Our present High School offering is inadequate to their needs or interests. They are not academically minded. We must give consideration to providing facilities for a program of practical arts and other work that will be profitable for them to pursue.

### Agriculture

The Agricultural Department of the High School continued to win state approval for its work. This year's class of sixteen is small, yet during the year the individuals of the group earned \$3437.00, and won several prizes in various state contests.

Much of the teaching in this course is done right in the field. Each boy receives aid from the instructor on his particular project. All of the boys have opportunity to observe agriculture, in its various phases actually at work.

The enrollment for 1935:

Sophomores .....	6
Juniors .....	3
Seniors .....	7
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	16
Graduated October 15, 1933 .....	3

### — HEALTH —

The health work in the schools has been exceedingly difficult this year, and particularly since September. Infantile paralysis and scarlet fever made it necessary for the nurse or doctor to be in each school each day. I wish to commend both Dr. Henderson and Miss Brown for the excellent way in which they handled the situation. Much of the regular health work had to be neglected or slighted.

The following on communicable diseases is quoted from Miss Brown's report: "Owing to the prevalence of communicable diseases, in the form of german measles last spring, three cases of infantile paralysis this fall, and, later, scarlet fever, a considerable amount of time has been devoted to communicable disease control. Every effort has been made by the school to check the spread of these diseases. Daily inspection has been made in those schools where a child developed the disease, pupils have been readmitted following illness-absences by the doctor or nurse, excluded cases have been followed up by the nurse, and, in those schools where a number of children have been out on account

of contagion, absentees have been investigated. This has made a tremendous amount of additional work and has delayed many of the routine functions of the health program. Through the co-operation of the Board of Health and the Department of Nursing, Simmons College, an additional nurse was placed on this work from December 2-21, and an intensive campaign to teach the methods of communicable disease control was undertaken. If, through this practical demonstration, parents have learned the importance of early and adequate medical supervision when communicable disease is present in the community and the value of isolation and quarantine, the efforts along this line will have been worth while.

"Unfortunately, the problem of communicable disease will not be solved, or even greatly reduced, by isolation and quarantine alone. Many factors, such as the case of communicable disease that is deliberately hidden, the case that is so mild that it escapes diagnosis, the problem of the disease carrier, and the fact that many of these diseases are more contagious before the symptoms appear, make the problem of control a difficult one.

"Communicable diseases will continue to exist and flourish until such time as every case is discovered through the efforts of an enlightened public that looks upon any illness, especially in children, with suspicion, and provides proper isolation until the question of contagion is ruled out; through the development of a public consciousness that thinks in terms of community protection, instead of personal convenience; and through better methods of detection and control of the carrier. In many cases, prevention offers the most satisfactory solution. In those diseases, where safe methods of prevention have been developed, such as smallpox and diphtheria, resource to these protective methods seems indicated."

Reading has an excellent program of health improvement and health protection. Previous to the depression, there were two school nurses. Miss Brown is doing yeoman service in trying to carry on all of the work. I recommend, however, that another nurse be added, when possible, and that we require that she be, not only a graduate nurse, but, also, that she have had training in public health and school nursing.

A survey of the lighting in the schools indicated the need for adjustments in lighting equipment in many of the rooms. Within the physical limitations of the room, those adjustments have been made. The teachers are co-operating to see that the children's eyes are not strained by inadequate light, and, at the same time, are making every effort to have optimum temperature and ventilation.

I concur in Miss Brown's recommendation to me that better washing facilities be provided in the High School and Highland School, and that more time for washing before eating be allowed in the three schools



where there are cafeterias. The children are taught in their health classes to wash their hands before eating, but the facilities for doing so can be improved.

We should, as soon as possible, start on a regular program of replacing the old, unadjustable furniture with newer types that are less harmful to posture.

The increased use of the diphtheria clinics in 1935 was quite marked. Of the 329 children visiting the clinic, 163 were new members. Of these, 61% were pre-school children, and, of the remainder, another 61% were first grade children. I quote Miss Brown again: "The fact that so large a number of the new participants were pre-school children is highly gratifying. The fact, however, that 61% of the remainder were first grade pupils shows that many parents are awaiting until their children get into school before having them immunized. From the point of view of diphtheria prevention, the latter is unfortunate, as there is not only a greater incidence to the disease but more deaths from it between the ages of one to five than any other age group."

The regular program of health instruction has been carried on during the year. Objective tests and health-habit questionnaires were given to the pupils of the first six grades. Remedial work was then instituted to care for the weaknesses that were indicated by the results.

I should like to add emphasis to one of Miss Brown's concluding paragraphs: "No report of the Health Department would be complete without a word of appreciation for the unfailing support of the Reading Good Health Committee, for the contribution which it has made over a period of years to our school health program. Appreciation is also due for the splendid co-operation which we have had from the Board of Health and the Welfare Department and the local F. E. R. A."

## ———— PHYSICAL EDUCATION ————

Objective measurements of the results of physical education are relatively new. Since 1933, all High School pupils have been given what is known as a Physical Fitness Index test. This is arrived at through a series of physical capacity tests: lung, grip, back, leg, and arm. After securing the indexes, an effort was made to base the physical education program on the test results. Attention was concentrated on those with the lowest index.

The test results for the several years indicate substantial gains, and show that physical education is playing a real part in improving the physical fitness of our pupils.

Many of our boys and girls are getting enjoyment, physical betterment, and lessons of team play from our regular competitive and intramural athletics and games. The following tables show the number taking part:

**Table 1—High School Competitive and Intra-mural Activities**

Classification	Activity	Boys	Girls	Total	No. of Contests
Inter-school	Football	65		65	9
	Basketball	32	50	82	17
	Baseball	28		28	12
	Soccer	25		25	4
	Tennis	11			4
	Cross Country	20		20	6
	Golf	10		10	8
	Field Hockey		25	25	2
	8 Teams	191	75	266	62
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Intra-mural	Riding		48	48	
	Swimming		15	15	
	Rifle	18		18	
	Basketball	75		75	
	Golf Instruction		18	18	
	Wrestling	20		20	
	Tennis	28	30	58	
	Gymnastics	30		30	
	Archery		20	20	
	9 Activities	171	131	302	

**Table 2—Junior High School Intra-mural Activities**

**Girls**

Activity	Number Participating	No. of Teams
Squash Ball	91	13
Kick Ball	123	17
Field Hockey	35	3
Baseball	224	28
Basketball	237	38
5 Activities	710	99



Activity	Boys	
	Number Participating	No. of Teams
Basketball	137	18
Interscholastic		
Basketball	29	4
Baseball	168	16
Baseball Team	24	1
Soccer	111	10
Touch Football	45	4
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	514	53

6 Activities

An afternoon program is also carried on at the Highland School.

## ———— MUSIC ————

### Elementary Schools

Miss Whittier, with the aid of teachers, has revised the course of study in music for the first six grades. The new course provides, not only for the teaching of music fundamentals and appreciation, but, also, for the integration of the music with other subjects. Each teacher has an outline of the work with suggestions for possible correlations with other activities.

Musical programs were held in all of the schools during the year. The operetta, "The Smiling Sixpence," presented by the sixth grade at the Highland School was an outstanding success.

The brevity of this, my report on music in the first six grades, does not imply a lack of importance, for it is vitally important. I take the following from Miss Whittier's report: "In a recent article by Mr. Osbourne McConathy, entitled, 'What Next?', there was this statement: 'We are aware that there is a serious attempt on the part of the leaders in education to make our schools function more as life concerns. We are looking at education now as actual life, and we are not looking upon our schools as merely a preparation for some future activity. Life is **in the school** and **music** in this coming era must function **as a part of the active life** of children.'"

### Junior and Senior High School

In the Junior High School, music is required of all seventh and eighth grade pupils and of all ninth grade pupils not taking art or two major electives. In addition to the regular class work, there is an opportunity for children to be in the school orchestra or in the newly

formed glee club. We hope that the glee club will be able to compete in the Massachusetts and in the New England Music Festivals held in May in Haverhill and Portland.

In the High School, music is entirely elective. The program consists of band, orchestra, chorus, voice culture, and music appreciation. The band is well known because of its public appearance, and Reading is justly proud of it. The orchestra and chorus are doing equally good work. The latter now has an enrollment of one-hundred forty pupils.

On March 14, 1936, an All-New England High School Band, Orchestra and Chorus will give a concert in Springfield. Reading will be represented in each group.

Mr. Peck points out in his report to me that the radio and the depression have materially lessened the number of children who are taking instrumental or vocal lessons outside of school. Mr. Peck says: "A good instrument and a good teacher is an investment which may bring an untold amount of happiness and profit to the child later in life. It is a mistake, however, to think that the music supervisor can take the place of the parent in shouldering this responsibility for private musical instruction in voice or on some instrument."

Intelligent and appreciative consumption of music is one of the major aims of our music work. We can help some few pupils toward becoming producers of music in a professional sense; we hope to help all of them to an increased joy in the soul-stirring qualities of good and great music, both as amateur producers and as consumers.

## ———— DRAWING ————

At the very beginning of the present school year, Miss Mercie Nichols, Drawing Supervisor, found it necessary to resign from school work because of illness in her family. Her leaving was a severe blow. She had carried on outstanding work, and had developed an excellent course of study in drawing. Many of her High School pupils went on to art school and did work of distinction. The task of filling her position will be a difficult one.

We were fortunate to be able to call on Mrs. Helen Frost, formerly of the Junior High School, as a substitute, and through her good efforts the work has been carried on.

## ———— ATTENDANCE ————

The schools are indeed fortunate in having secured the services of Mrs. Josephine Fowler as Attendance Officer. Her long experience

with social work and with the schools gives her an appreciative and sympathetic understanding of boys and girls and of home life. I present her report in its entirety:

"My dear Mr. Pierce:

I hereby submit this report covering the work of the Attendance Department for the past year, the first six months that of Mrs. Mingo, the last four months, my own.

The schools census was taken in October and has been fully checked.

Work certificates have been issued to 75 minors, only three of which were to boys or girls under 16 years of age who were definitely needed at home. Minors remain in school in Reading longer than in most places.

There is very little real truancy in Reading. The greatest amount of absence here is due to lack of clothing and food. The generous response of organizations and individuals of the town has made it possible to remedy this in most cases. The Welfare Department has also been very cooperative. We have consulted with them on the help they are giving children and in this way we have avoided duplication.

There is another group of absentees that is more difficult to control. They are those who are not particularly interested in academic subjects and who need the chance to express themselves by doing with their hands. Are we offering these children what they need? I think not. For this reason we need the shops and domestic science courses restored as soon as possible. In any community, it is necessary that a large portion of the population be trained to work with their hands. If this training is begun early, it is more thorough and the result is a more efficient and worth-while citizen. I feel that if this could be accomplished the need of juvenile courts would be almost negligible.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE L. FOWLER

Supervisor of Attendance"

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## GENERAL

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### School Cafeterias

The school cafeterias now have independent management in each one. In the High School, Mrs. Kingman is in charge; in the Junior High, Mrs. Cauty; and in the Highland, Mrs. Bigelow. The system seems to be working out satisfactorily. The menus and the food are attractive.

It is the intention that each cafeteria shall be self-supporting, but that it shall not make any profit. The increased cost of food makes the first difficult, and profit impossible at the prices that are charged the pupils.

Miss Brown, the school nurse, makes the following statement in her report: "It is generally acknowledged that the school lunch should be regarded as a health service in that it should serve a two-fold purpose, namely, to provide well-cooked, nutritious food, attractively served at a minimum cost, and to serve as practical education in the choice of food and in good eating habits. The Reading schools can boast of excellent school lunches. Their contribution to the health program is a valuable one."

### **Practical Arts**

It is significant to note that the Principals of the High School and Junior High School, the Elementary Supervisor, and the Attendance Officer in their reports to me have all pointed out the very real need for increased opportunities in the practical arts—shop and domestic science. I heartily agree with them, and recommend that, as soon as possible, the work for the secondary school pupils be widened in its scope and made accessible to more pupils, and that the work once carried on in the Highland School be restored.

### **Social Studies**

You will be interested to know that our twelve-year program in the social studies, that received national mention in the Yearbook of the National Council for the Social Studies, is to again receive national recognition this year. It, with several other selected courses, is to appear in the forthcoming yearbook of the Department of Superintendence of the National Education Association, a publication that goes to most of the school systems in the country.

### **Adult Education**

In my last report, I mentioned the desirability of having some form of evening classes for adults. Some work has been started along that line since September. Several courses are now in operation, and we hope to start others. The instructors for this work have volunteered their services. They merit the sincere thanks and appreciation of the people of Reading.

A project that would enable us to set up vocational counseling and employment aid for our unemployed youth was submitted to the W. P.

A. early in the fall. Thus far, we have received no further word regarding it. We may probably assume that it will not be approved.

### **The Janitors**

I am writing this report on a cold day and am reminded that many of our janitors spend long hours at night and in the early morning in keeping the schools warm for the children. It is their work, to be sure, but I wish to commend their faithfulness in carrying it out. Some rooms are always difficult to heat, but all rooms are usually ready for the children when school opens.

The janitors should also be commended for the increased efforts they are putting into keeping the schools cleaner and more hygienic.

### **Salaries**

The work of the schools during 1935 has not been helped by the number of vacancies that arose. We have had to fill fifteen positions out of eighty-seven, and, at this time, two remain to be filled. It has been exceedingly difficult, at the salaries we pay, to find teachers with the desired training and experience. Nevertheless, we feel that we are fortunate in our newcomers. I wish, however, to quote what I said last year: "If Reading wishes to secure good new teachers, it must express that wish in its salary schedule." I am glad that your budget for 1936 provides for restoration of the pay cut.

### **The Teachers**

Because of decreased salaries and increased living costs, the teachers have found it difficult or even impossible to take professional courses. In spite of that fact, forty out of the eighty-eight principals and teachers did take some course during the year. That work is of real value in improving the instruction in the schools. Reading can well be proud of the professional spirit that marks its teaching staff. I wish to express my personal appreciation of that spirit, of the hours of work that have been put into committee studies, and of the splendid co-operation the staff has given to me.

In closing, I wish to thank the people of the town for their interested and co-operative attitude, and you, the School Committee, for your help, guidance, and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. PIERCE

# COMMITTEES FOR 1935—1936

Arthur E. Pierce, Chairman *ex officio*

Social Studies	Arithmetic	Reading	English
	Mr. Anderson	Miss Wadleigh	Miss Wadleigh
Miss Wadleigh	Miss Wadleigh	Miss Borden	Miss Batchelder
		Miss Walsh	Miss England
Mr. Dixon	Mr. Halpin		Miss Heffron
			Mrs. Bean
Mr. Woodbridge	Miss Scullane	Miss Gamble	Miss Quillen
		Miss Brann	
Miss Herrick			
Miss Berry	Miss Gutman	Miss Macken	Mrs. Potter
Miss Cochrane			
Miss Hallington	Mrs. Perry		
Miss Burgess		Mrs. Beaton	Miss Perkins
Mrs. Royea	Miss Winchester	Mrs. Carleton	Miss Markham
	Mrs. Mathieson	Miss Donnelly	Mrs. Harding
		Miss A. Dow	Mrs. Lounsbury
Mrs. Mathieson	Miss Hallington		
Miss Dow			
Miss Cronin		Miss Cronin	Miss Cleary
Mrs. Goddard		Mrs. Goddard	Miss G. Dow
Miss Cleary			
		Miss Herrick	Miss Berry
Mrs. Lounsbury		Mrs. Royea	Miss Burgess
Miss Winchester			
Miss A. Dow			
Miss Sweetland			
Mrs. Carleton			
Mrs. Harding			
Miss Donnelly			
Miss Markham			



# Committees Continued

Social Studies	Arithmetic	Reading	English
Miss Perkins			
Mrs. Perry			
Mrs. Beaton			
Mrs. Breeze			
Miss Gamble			
Miss Brann			
Miss Allard			
Miss Macken			
Miss Thackleberry			
Miss Walsh			
Miss Grace			

## PROMOTION STATISTICS—JUNE 1935

Grade	Total in Grade	Promoted	Repeat	Opportunity School	Accelerate
I	204	178	26	0	
II	207	192	12	2	1
III	162	151	10	1	
IV	208	205	3	0	
V	212	180	21	11	
VI	193	190	3	3	
Opp.	18	3		15	
Opp.	20	3		17	
	<hr/> 1,224	<hr/> 1,102	<hr/> 75	<hr/> 49	<hr/> 1
VII	191	177	14 - - 2	repeated voluntarily	
VIII	182	163	19 - - 3	repeated voluntarily	
IX	176	170	6 - - 2	repeated voluntarily	
Special	20	2		18	
	<hr/> 569	<hr/> 512	<hr/> 39	<hr/> 18	
X	193	166	27		
XI	153	133	20		
XII	141	141 graduated			
	<hr/> 487	<hr/> 440	<hr/> 47		

**Age-Grade Table—October 1, 1935**

Ungrad-		I		II		III		IV		V		VI		VII		VIII		IX		X		XI		XII		P.G.		Total	G. T.			
Grade	ed	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	
Age		G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	
5		30	27																								30	27	57			
6	1	50	56	32	24	1																					84	80	164			
7	1	5	18	56	44	38	32	1																			100	95	195			
8	1	2	1	9	9	52	53	30	28	2	2																94	95	189			
9	1	1	1	3	1	13	13	35	25	60	38	6	2														118	80	198			
10		3				1	1	15	15	36	49	48	40	1	3												101	111	212			
11	1	5				5	5	13	16	26	39	46	48	2	2												93	115	208			
12	3	3						5	4	10	10	35	39	35	40	4	2										92	98	190			
13	6	6							2	2	4	14	9	44	37	34	24	5	8								105	90	195			
14	2	4										2	1	4	16	13	43	26	44	26	2						113	74	187			
15	2	4											1	3	7	2	11	12	41	45	46	23	4	2			112	91	203			
16	2												1		1	3	6	17	20	41	28	27	28	2			90	86	176			
17	1																	3	12	11	17	24	21	13	6		51	57	108			
18																	1	1	3	3	6	13	14	5	3		22	27	49			
19																						3	1	1	1		4	2	6			
20																											1	1	2			
21																												1	1	1		
Tot. 18		31	85	102	100	78	105	99	85	74	116	111	94	96	101	107	104	95	95	71	111	114	103	75	71	66	22	11	1210	1130	2340	
G. T. 49		187	178			159	204		159	227	190	208		199	166	225	178		137	33												

Note: G—Girls

B—Boys.

G. T.—Grand Total

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE  
READING HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1935

Shepardson Hall

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE TWELVE  
eight o'clock

PROGRAM

GRAND PROCESSIONAL MARCH

Roberts

High School Orchestra

PRAYER—Rev. Charles F. Lancaster

CHORUS—NOW LET ALL THE HEAVENS ADORE THEE Bach

CHERUBIM SONG Bortniansky

Senior Class

**Salutatory**

WE WHO ARE ABOUT TO GRADUATE, SALUTE YOU

Dora Levine\*

CHALLENGE TO EDUCATION

Rita Elizabeth Whelton\*

TORCH ORATION

Fred Ryland, Class President

Response by Richard Crooker, Junior Class President

ESSAY

NEW ENGLAND, THE CULTURAL LEADER OF ALL TIMES

Priscilla Eisenhaure, Faculty Honors

PIANO SOLO

SONATA PATHETIQUE, (First Movement) Beethoven

Robert Francis Hopkins

ESSAY—JUSTICE OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES

Joseph Albert Arsenault, Class Honors

PRESENTATION OF CLASS GIFT

Robert Allen Parker, Class Treasurer—Acceptance by Headmaster  
CONFERRING SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Rudolf Sussmann, Headmaster

**Valedictory**

THE CHALLENGE OF THE MODERN AGE TO YOUTH

Phyllis Elizabeth Comey

CONFERRING DIPLOMAS

Arthur W. Coolidge, Chairman of School Board

BENEDICTION—Rev. Charles F. Lancaster

PRIEST'S MARCH—(from Athalia)

Mendelssohn

High School Orchestra

\*Tied for second honors

## GRADUATES

### Accounting Course

Norman Charles Hinds	Bernice Eleanor Terhune
Alice Moorehouse	George Bradstreet Wright

### Agricultural Course

Harold Warren Corthell	Julian Weston Hurd
	Sherman Parker Lester

### Civic Preparatory Course

Dennis Edward Ainsworth	Clifton D. LeTourneau
John Thomas Ainsworth	Ralph J. Mason, Jr.
Lois Albee	Donald Chester Mitchell
Everett G. Carroll	Katherine G. Pierce
George R. Dugan, Jr.	Fred Ryland
Roland Hill Estey, Jr.	Madelyne Louise Spellman
Kathryn B. Fultz	Phyllis Mae Stone
Mildred Jane Hicks	John Joseph Weafer
Wyatt O. Ingalls	Norman Robert White

### Classical Course

Stanley R. Boyers	Florence Frances Sullivan
Priscilla Eisenhaure	Elizabeth Gray Turner
	Rita Elizabeth Whelton

### Clerical Course

Ruth Albee	Rita Mae Durfee
Doris Marjorie Barchard	Edith I. Hartshorn
Alice M. Berglund	Helen Marion Pratt
Marion Edith Cheyne	Henry James Skane
Beatrice R. Doucette	Helen Endicott Wallace

Eleanor Patricia Wright

### College Course

Joseph Albert Arsenault	Pauline Lewis
Olive Louise Ambrose	Hope Thorndike Littlefield
John Allan Bowron	Parke Walker Masters
Frank Warren Colley	John A. Mathieson
Phyllis Elizabeth Comey	William Dillon McCarthy
Chester A. Cook, Jr.	Francis Warren Miller, Jr.
Elizabeth Marion Crosby	Margaret Mary O'Leary
Charles F. Doughty	Robert Allen Parker
Natalie M. Fairchild	Jean Wallace Phippen
Robert H. Foye	Philip Emery Robinson
Margaret Elvira Ireland	Sheldon Skolfield

Mildred Eleanor Wheeler

### Fine Arts Course

Natalie Jane Carpenter

### **Normal Course**

John Burton Austin	Viola May Livingstone
Walter James Black	John Lawton Maguire
Louise Bowers	George Morris McSheehy
John W. Bridge, Jr.	Edward John Michalosky
Douglas W. Burhoe	Alice Elizabeth Moody
Joseph H. Chisholm	C. William Mooney
Lois Merle Connor	Willard Edward Morrison
Carl F. Copeland	Harley Cummings Nelson
Catherine Cecelia Cummings	Harry Wilbur Nutter
Mary Kathryn Dissel	Evelyn Harriet Olsen
Paul F. Doucette	Doris Gertrude Phillips
Rayna Frances Edwards	Edith Virginia Richman
Walter Earle Eldredge	Helen Virginia Sargent
Helen Ruth Fortune	Peter Anello Scollo
Eleanor Jeanette French	Carl Dewey Smith
Benjamin M. Hartshorn, Jr.	Alta Clarissa Stewart
Maxwell Edgar Holland	Evelyn Marguerite Streeter
Robert Francis Hopkins	Earl A. Vance
Edith Turner Leach	William Frederick Wilson, Jr.
	Sylvia Zalkan

### **Practical Arts Course**

Elvera Bertha Apperti	Frances Hubbard
Robert Elwin Carter	Ruth Alice Lutz
Grace Virginia Curtis	Frances Louise McQuesten
Lois Beals Hildreth	Harold Fraser Waugh

### **Scientific Course**

Clyffeton William Hill, Jr.	Richard Tague Schaeffer
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### **Secretarial Course**

Helen Louise Arsenault	Madeline Gertrude Heselton
Davina W. Clapperton	Mildred Elizabeth Landry
Margaret Catherine Dulong	Dora Levine
Ruby Louise Ellis	Anne Mentus
Edna Mae Gorey	Janet Priscilla Moulton
	Clara Thenser Nelson

### **Irregular Course**

Irene F. Atkinson	Dorothy May Holden
Emily Fenno Carpenter	Parker Chesley Kimball
Althea V. Doucette	June Elizabeth Lenfest
Lillian Mary Drew	Dora Marchetti
Virginia M. Erickson	Dorothy C. Plummer
Genevieve Faulkner	Sumner Edward Ralston
Bette Ann Gammons	Fannie Tabachnick
Earl Wolcott Hobart	Pauline Mary White

FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

of the

ELECTRIC LIGHT

COMMISSIONERS

For the Year Ended December 31

1935



## OFFICERS OF ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER DEPARTMENT

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### Commissioners

HENRY R. JOHNSON, Chairman ..... Term expires 1938  
HERBERT G. EVANS, Secretary ..... Term expires 1936  
LOUIS ELLENWOOD ..... Term expires 1937

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### Manager

ARTHUR G. SIAS

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### Office

177 Main St., Reading, Mass.

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## MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Municipal Light Board:

Gentlemen:

I submit, herewith, my report covering the operation of the Municipal Light Plant for the year ending December 31, 1935.

The Kilowatt Hour output, as measured at the switchboard was 7,973,642, an increase over the previous year of about 6 per cent. The maximum station load which occurred on December 20th was 2450 K. W., a decrease of 50 K. W. from last year's record. All of the current sent out from the power station during the year has been purchased at an average price of 1.16 cents per K. W. H.

There has been an increase of about 5.5 per cent in the K. W. H. sold for residence service, 9.5 per cent in K. W. H. sold for commercial lighting, heating and small power, 15.6 per cent in K. W. H. sold for street lighting purposes and 64 per cent in K. W. H. sold to other plants for re-sale. There has been a decrease of about 6.2 per cent in the K. W. H. sold for power. The K. W. H. sold per residence meter increased from 758.5 in 1934 to 794.5 in 1935.

The income from sales of electric energy increased \$14,465.95 over the previous year, more than one-half of which was received from residence service, and the greater part of the balance from commercial and street lighting service. Income from power sales showed a decrease of \$763.75.

The total operating expenses for the year were only \$419.22 more than in 1934, due to the fact that the cost of the increased number of K. W. H. purchased was practically offset by the decrease in the amount set up for depreciation, which was changed from 4 to 3 per cent by vote of the Board.

The balance of the operating account credited to Profit and Loss, before bond and note payments, was \$29,142.71. Bonds and Notes amounting to \$12,000 were retired during the year and \$20,000 was transferred to the general funds of the Town, leaving the balance of the Profit and Loss account \$3,034.29 less than last year.

Current Assets at the close of the year amounted to \$108,744.30 and Current Liabilities were \$52,471.78.

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## POWER STATION

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The most important change in the Power Station equipment has been the addition of the 4000 volt switching equipment and the increase in the number of feeder voltage regulators. This work was authorized at the annual meeting in March of last year and the engineering work was begun early in the Spring, actual construction work being started in July. It was about 87 per cent completed at the end of the year and should be finished in about two months.

This addition to our power station facilities consists of a steel gallery, on which are mounted the 4000 volt, oil circuit breakers, with their operating mechanisms, including relays, current and potential transformers, disconnecting and transfer switches, and the main and transfer busses. The feeder voltage regulators are installed on the main floor of the station, under the gallery. The control switches, and metering equipment, are mounted on the existing feeder circuit panels in such a manner that each panel provides control for two feeder circuits on the new gallery. Space is provided for extra feeder circuits which may be installed when needed, at a minimum of expense.

The engineering and construction on this job has been in charge of Mr. H. J. Odell, who has had about 30 years experience in switch-board construction and power station wiring, and is considered one of the best men in New England on this type of work. Plans and Blueprints were furnished by Davis and Abbott.

The following firms furnished the major portion of the materials purchased:

Walworth Co., Steel Pipe.

W. E. Clark Co., Structural Steel.

Electric Power Equipment Corp., Switchboard Fittings.

Delta-Star Electric Co., Disconnecting and Transfer Switches and Buss Supports.

Wetmore-Savage Electric Supply Co., Feeder Voltage Regulators and Control Switches.

General Electric Co., Feeder Voltage Regulators, Motor Generator and Current Limiting Reactor.

Johns-Manville, Asbestos Panels.

Electric Storage Battery Co., Control Batteries.

American Steel & Wire Co., Cable.

John A. Roeblings Sons Co., Cable.

Simplex Wire & Cable Co., Cable.

Condit Electrical Mfg. Co., Oil Switches.

American Electric Service & Maintenance Co., Rewinding Generators.

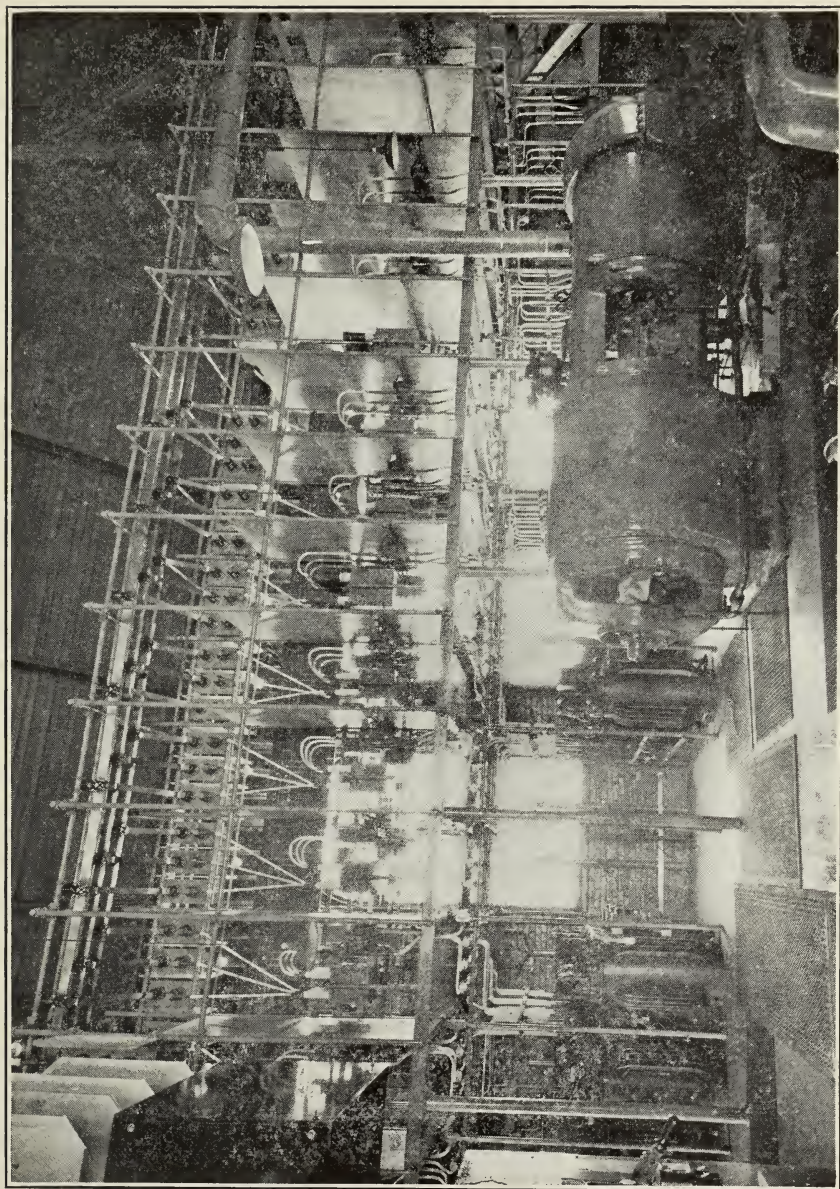
The estimated cost of these improvements was \$38,894.37 and there has been expended, to December 31st, \$33,757.41, of which \$27,059.73 represents the cost of materials purchased and \$6,697.68 the amount paid for labor. Employment has been provided on this job for six local men.

The increased capacity of the new switchboard should take care of our requirements for 15 to 20 years.

The feeder circuits now enter the basement of the station, from the underground ducts, and with the removal of the wooden structure and transformer banks from the south side of the building, the general appearance of the property will be very much improved.

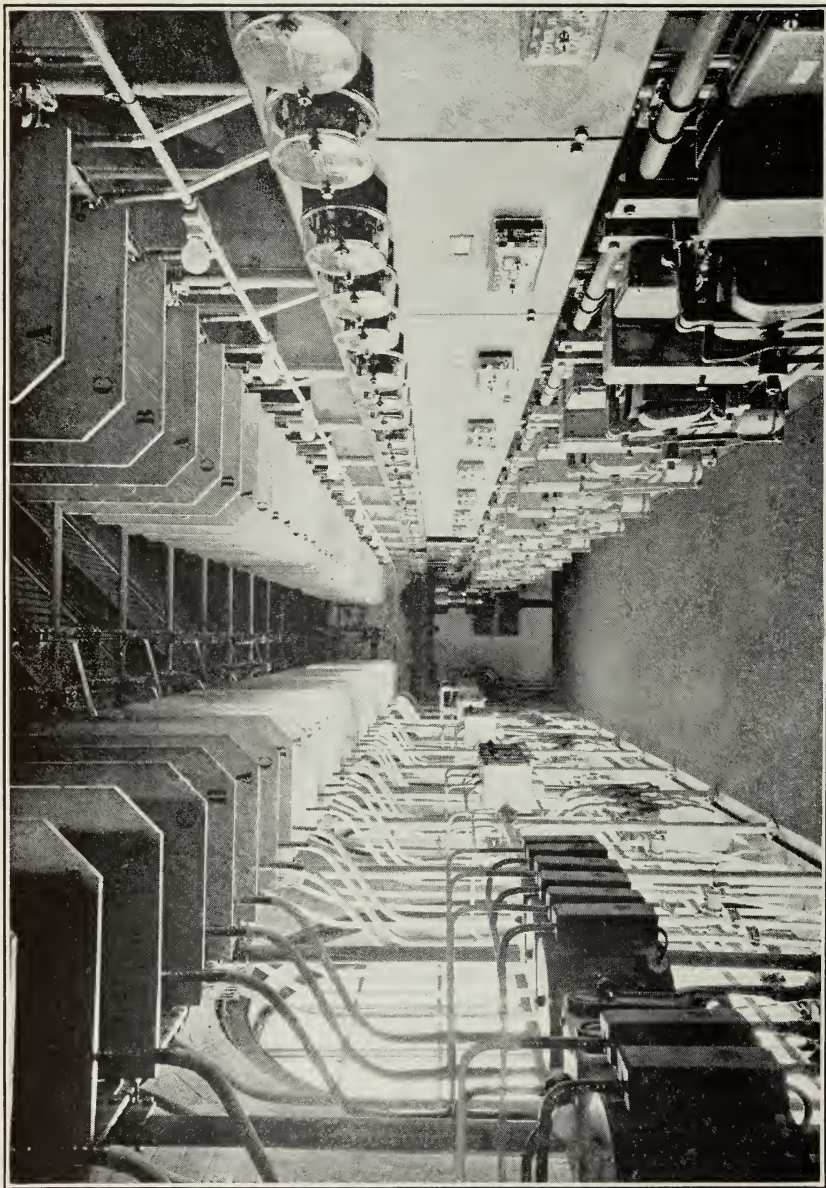
The Deane Condenser Pump, which was removed from service in 1926, has been sold for \$100.00 and proper credits have been made to Cost of Plant and Plant Investment accounts.

The Capacitor which was installed in 1932 to correct power factor and thereby enable us to make a substantial saving in the cost of current purchased, and increase our system capacity, has proved to be a valuable asset. Its cost was \$2,523.00 and the total savings in the cost of purchased current over the four year period has been \$10,095.

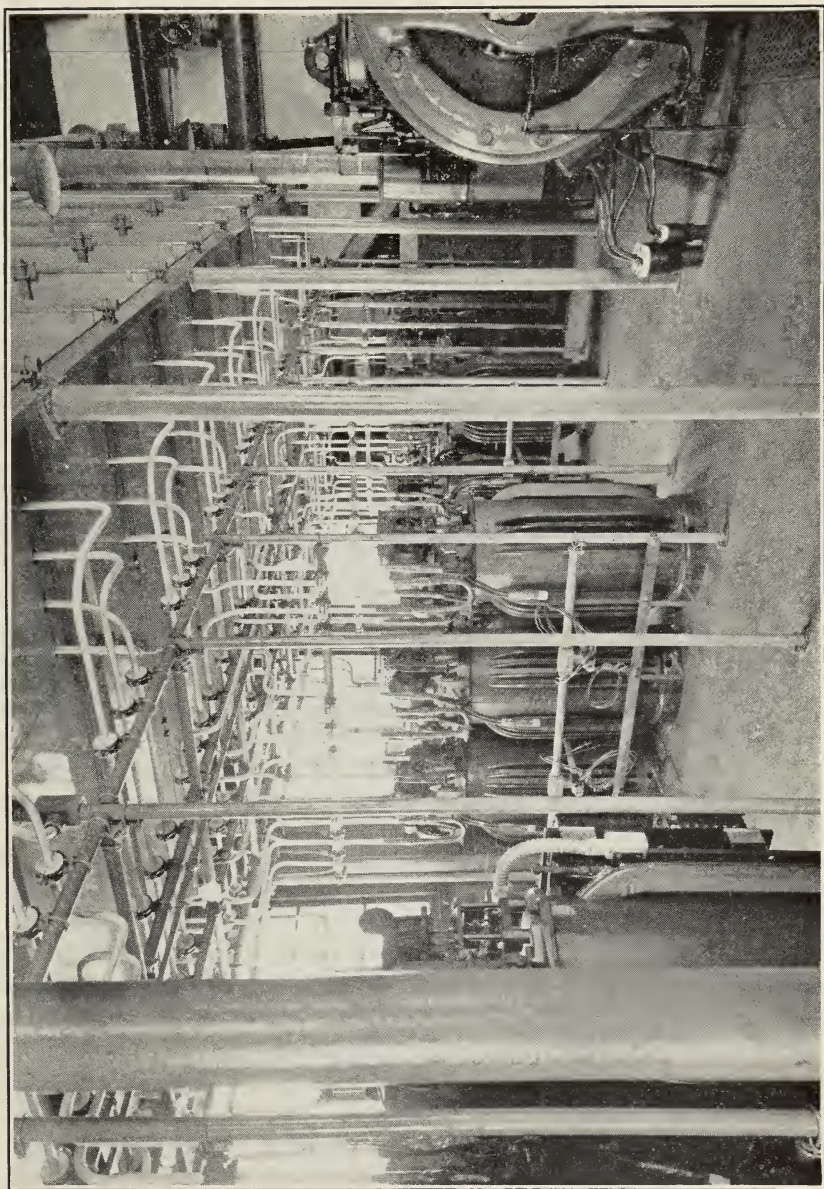


View of new switch gallery showing 4000 volt oil circuit breakers, disconnecting switches and main bus. In the foreground, at the left are some of the feeder voltage regulators and at the right the 600 K. W. turbo-generator.



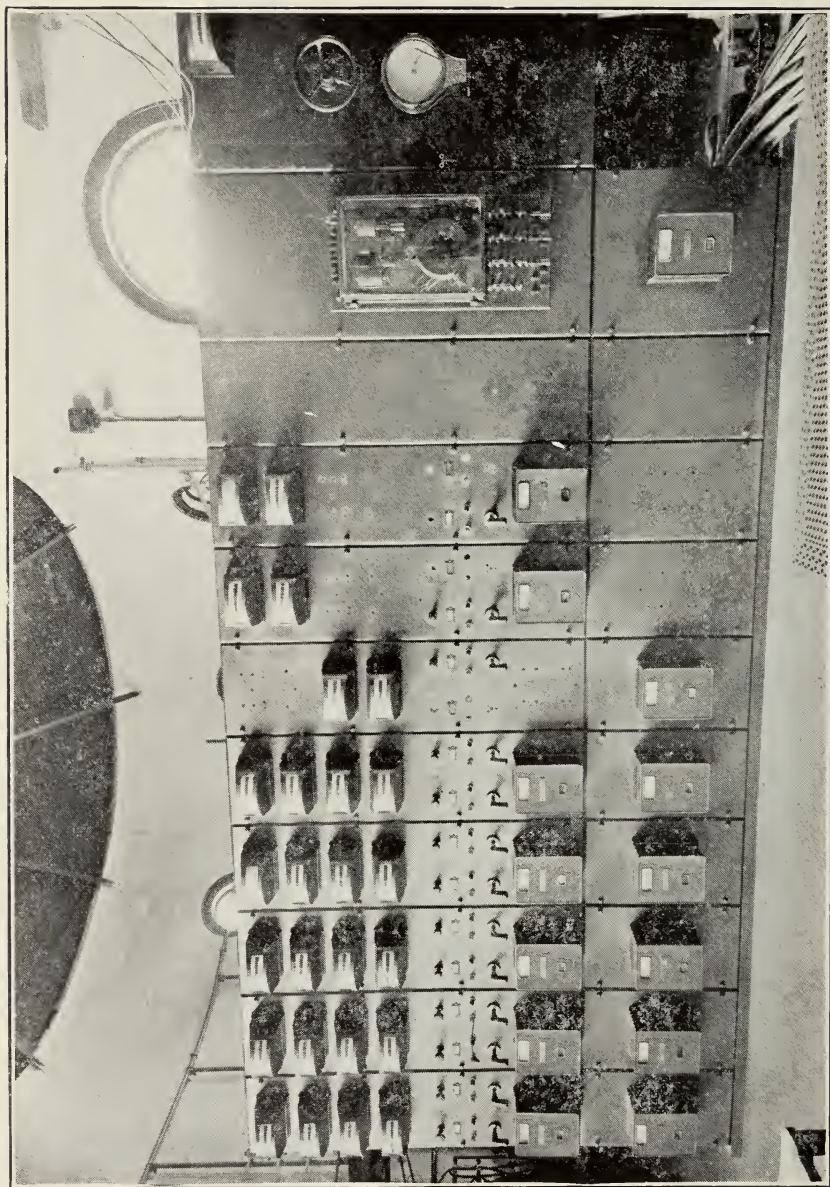


View on the floor of the gallery, showing the electrically operated breaker controls, time delay relays, switch barriers and wiring.



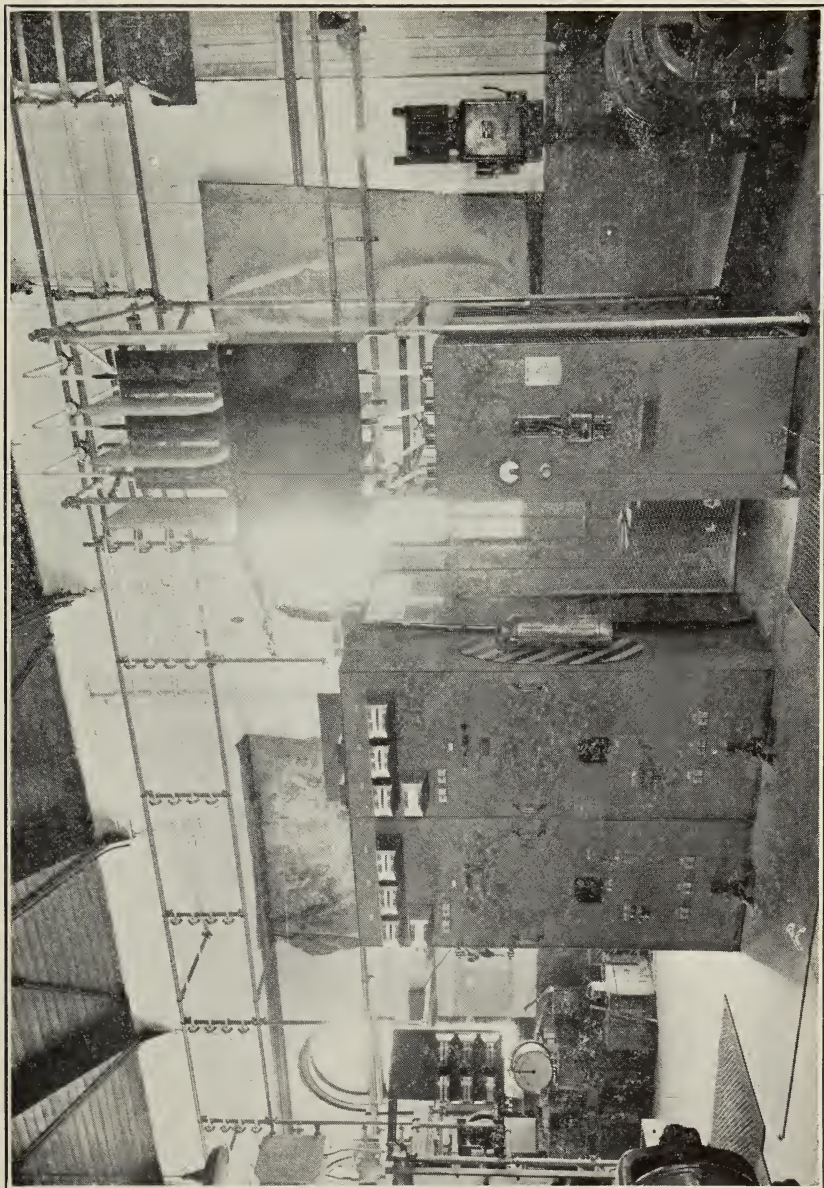
View of feeder voltage regulators located under the gallery.





View of feeder circuit control panels, showing the indicating and recording instruments and control switches.





View showing 4000 volt switchboards for incoming feeders, current limiting reactor, and capacitor for power factor correction.

## DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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Additions made to the distribution system during the year amounted to \$18,642.16, the amounts expended on the various parts of the system being shown in the schedule "Plant Investment Accounts."

The underground system has been extended on Woburn Street by the construction of a manhole near the entrance to the Municipal Building, extension of ducts and cables and a concrete lamp post with Novalux fixture. The overhead distribution system was extended on Ballardvale Street, Wilmington, about half a mile. Additions to the Reading feeder circuits have been made in connection with the change in distribution voltage from 2300 volts to 4000 volts, and the heavier circuits have been lightened by the addition of two new circuits. The street light circuits have also been divided and one additional circuit has been installed.

228 poles have been renewed during the year and 75 additional poles have been erected. 6862 feet of wire has been added to the street light circuits and 105,559 feet has been added to the commercial circuits in connection with the above work.

Pole relocations have been made on account of road construction on the following streets: Reading; Grove Street, Franklin Street, Colburn Road and at Willow Street and Summer Avenue. North Reading; Elm Street. Wilmington; Boutwell Street and Shawsheen Avenue.

A very thorough inspection of the distribution lines in Wilmington has been made and the necessary insulating of wires passing through trees and trimming of trees has been done under the supervision of the Tree Warden. The cost of this work was \$2934.98 and, with the exception of minor repairs, should provide sufficient tree clearance for 3 years.

6 additional transformers and 122 additional meters have been installed during the year. We now have installed on our system 494 transformers and 6188 meters.

The total number of customers connected to our lines on December 31st was 5741, an increase of 115 over the previous year.

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## STREET LIGHTING

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We have installed additional public street lights during the year as follows: Reading; Berkeley Street 1, Colburn Road 5, County Road 1, Hampshire Road 1, High Street 2, Highland Street 1, Main Street 21, and Winthrop Avenue 1. North Reading; Lakeside Boulevard 2, and Oakdale Road 4. Lynnfield Center; Beaver Avenue 2.

2 street lights have been installed on private ways, one on Crescent Avenue, Lynnfield Center and one on Roman Way, Wilmington.

We are also furnishing current, to the Wakefield Municipal Light Plant, for 5 street lights on Bay State Road.

The installation of 21 additional lights of 400 candle power on the westerly side of Main Street, between the Boston & Maine Railroad crossing and the Reading-Stoneham town line, and the substitution of 400 candle power for 250 candle power on the easterly side, has given us one of the best lighted highways in this vicinity.

We sent out on the Reading street light circuits 496,218 kilowatt hours, at an averaged cost as defined by statute of 3.834 cents per kilowatt hour, which makes the cost for the year \$19,044.85. The appropriation from the tax levy for street lights was \$17,300, showing an excess of cost over the appropriation of \$1,744.85.

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### **PARK AND PLAYGROUND LIGHTING**

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The lights at the horseshoe pitching courts on the Washington Street playground were relocated on account of change in location of the courts. Extensive repairs were made in the lighting system at the horseshoe pitching courts at Memorial Park, and also at Birch Meadow, on account of damage to the equipment caused by those using the playground facilities.

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### **CHRISTMAS LIGHTING**

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Decorative lighting was installed on the Common and on the concrete lamp posts on Main, Haven, Lowell and Harnden Streets. Evergreen trees were decorated at Ernest Leach Park and at West Street and County Road.

Number of lamps lighted .....	3313
Kilowatt hours consumed .....	6909
Cost of current (6909 K W H. @ .018c) .....	\$124.36
Cost of Materials .....	33.16
Cost for labor and trucks .....	540.43
Cost of lamp renewals .....	54.00
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Total Cost .....	\$751.95

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### **METER DEPARTMENT**

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We have continued the practice of installing meters on the outside of buildings and connecting them to the service wires before the current enters the building.

There are now connected to the system 733 outdoor meter installations, 321 of which were connected during the year. Approximately

350 of the older types of meters have been equipped with a temperature compensation device which improves the accuracy of the meter under changing temperature conditions. The cost of this device was 15 cents per meter.

A summary of meter tests and inspections during the year is tabulated below:

Meter Room Tests .....	1079
Meters Repaired .....	112
Inquiry Tests and Investigations .....	207
Consumer's Request Tests .....	159
Polyphase Meter Inspections .....	180
Periodic Tests .....	205
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Total .....	1942

## LAMP AND APPLIANCE DEPARTMENT

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The net sales of lamps and merchandise show a considerable increase over the previous year. Sales in 1934 were \$28,800.86 and in 1935 \$37,876.90, or an increase of about 31 per cent.

Our records show that 106 ranges and 26 water heaters have been installed during the year, at an expense for installation of \$3,598.35, the average cost for range installations being \$28.38 and for water heaters \$22.69.

The total merchandise and jobbing expense, including the free installations is \$5,063.27.

The estimated annual revenue from the use of appliances sold by the Department is \$8,852.52.

At the close of the year we had on rental in customer's premises 73 ranges and 28 water heaters. These are rented to customers at \$1.50 per month and after 5 years rental on ranges and 7 years rental on water heaters has been paid us, the title passes to the customer. This property is depreciated on our books each year, to amortize it within the rental period, and is maintained free of charge during the rental period.

## GARAGE

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The garage building has undergone extensive repairs this year on account of numerous places between the tiles where the mortar had become loose and allowed wind and water to seep through. The rear and end walls have been given a coat of cement and California Stucco and the front wall has been painted and treated with a waterproof compound. The top of the end walls has been covered with Toncan



metal caps and new gutter and conductors put on. The cost of these repairs was \$704.68.

The automobile expense for the year is shown in detail below:

Miles Run .....	122909
Gallons of Gas .....	10918
Miles per Gallon .....	11.17
Gallons of Oil .....	158
Miles per Gallon .....	777.9
Cost of Gas .....	\$1,417.39
Cost of Oil .....	77.24
Cost of Anti-Freeze .....	72.27
Cost of Repair Parts .....	1,080.64
Cost of Labor .....	1,330.51
Insurance and Depreciation .....	1,447.54
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Total Cost .....	\$5,425.59
Average Cost per Mile .....	4.4 cents

The 1½ ton G. M. C. truck which was purchased in 1928 is in need of repairs and is not heavy enough for our construction work. I recommend that a new truck, with a capacity of 2 to 3 tons, be purchased and equipped with a pole raising derrick and winch, and the 1928 truck be disposed of. The expense involved will be about \$3,500.

### UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

We have provided employment at various times during the year for 15 additional employees, most of whom had no regular employment elsewhere. The total additional payroll amounted to \$6,630.91.

### FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS

The pole line on Main Street between Salem and Charles Streets will have to be renewed in a short time. The underground service on Main Street now terminates at one of these poles near the Shell Filling Station. This pole carries all of the feeder circuits supplying the North Main Street section as well as those running to North Reading and Lynnfield Center and is heavily loaded.

I recommend that the underground service be extended from its present terminus to Charles Street and the poles and overhead wires be removed, at an estimated cost of \$10,058.95, and that the cost of same be paid out of the Depreciation Fund.

Woburn Street, West Street and Lowell Street are through ways which carry a considerable amount of traffic and the lighting on these

streets is not as good as it should be from the standpoint of public safety.

I recommend that the lighting be improved on these streets by the substitution of lamps of higher candle-power, properly spaced to eliminate dark spots between the lights, the expense of same to be paid from the Depreciation Fund.

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## CHANGE IN RATE OF DEPRECIATION

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In accordance with the vote of the Municipal Light Board the depreciation charged off the book value of the plant this year was based on 3 per cent of the total cost of plant, and my estimate for 1936 has been made on the same basis, in accordance with the statutory requirement. The amount which has been charged off each year from 1920 to 1934 has been based on 4 per cent of the cost of plant with the approval of the Department of Public Utilities. There seems to be no valid reason for maintaining the 4 per cent rate of depreciation at the present time as those portions of the plant investment which have not been in regular use for the past nine years, have been written off to such an extent that by 1937 they will be carried at only nominal values on the books. The portions of the plant referred to and their present book values are as follows:

Boiler Plant Equipment .....	\$ 6,979.66
Prime Movers and Auxiliaries .....	2,841.35
Turbo-Generator Units .....	4,033.74
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Total .....	\$13,854.75

The character of the distribution system has also been materially changed, during the past few years, by the substitution of underground ducts and cables in place of poles and overhead construction. The book value of the Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors is \$241,031.65 and the book value of Underground Ducts and Underground Conductors is \$90,522.42, which represents a substantial part of the whole system, and on which the actual depreciation is comparatively less.

The types of wood poles used at the present time are estimated to have a useful life at least 50 per cent greater than those which are now being replaced.

As replacements in the distribution system are, for the most part, paid for out of the operation fund and treated as an operating expense, it would seem that an amount for depreciation based on 3 % of the total cost of plant would be ample to take care of the actual depreciation of the plant in the future.



## ESTIMATES FOR 1936

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My estimate of the expenses and income for the year ending December 31, 1936, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 57, Chapter 164, of the General Laws, is herewith submitted:

### Expenses

For Operation, Maintenance and Repairs .....	\$224,936.45
For Interest on Bonds and Notes .....	2,632.50
For Depreciation at 3% of \$979,301.66 .....	29,379.05
For Bond Payments .....	7,000.00
For Note Payments .....	4,000.00
Total Expenses .....	<u>\$267,948.00</u>

### Income

From Sales to Private Consumers .....	\$273,400.00
From Sundry Sales .....	300.00
From Interest on Consumers' Deposits .....	100.00
From Tax Levy:	
For Street Lights .....	\$ 17,500.00
For Municipal Departments .....	3,600.00
Total Income .....	<u>\$ 21,100.00</u>
	<u>\$294,900.00</u>

A summary of cash receipts and disbursements, statement showing the various fund accounts, schedules of total cost of plant and present book value, statistical data pertaining to the operation of the plant, and a list of unpaid bills, will be found on the pages which follow.

The report of the Auditor is also appended.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR G. SIAS, Manager.

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The reports of the Manager and Auditor as herewith submitted are approved by us and constitute our report to the Town.

HENRY R. JOHNSON  
HERBERT G. EVANS  
LOUIS ELLENWOOD

Municipal Light Board.

*We are continually supplying more and—*

# More Power to Our Customers

1925  
4,050,000  
K.W.H.



1930  
7,049,000  
K.W.H.



1935  
7,972,000  
K.W.H.



Our customers obtain this service

# At Lower and Lower Rates

**1925**  
Average Rate  
**6.13¢ per K.W.H.**



**1930**  
Average Rate  
**4.47¢ per K.W.H.**



**1935**  
Average Rate  
**4.10¢ per K.W.H.**



## COMPARISON OF OPERATING COSTS 1935—1934

In Cents per Kilowatt Hour, Based on Kilowatt Hours Sold and  
Delivered to Street Lights

	1935	1934
Production .....	1.369	1.320
Distribution .....	.887	0.902
Utilization .....	.169	0.183
Commercial .....	.209	0.222
New Business .....	.045	0.041
General and Miscellaneous .....	.938	1.029
Bonds, Notes and Interest .....	.217	0.198
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Totals Costs .....	3.834	3.834

## SUMMARY OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

During the Period January 1, 1935 through December 31, 1935

### Cash Balances January 1, 1935

Operation Fund .....	\$ None
Depreciation Fund .....	90.41
Construction Fund .....	2,152.90
Special Construction Fund .....	None
Petty Cash Fund .....	250.00
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Total Cash Balances .....	\$ 2,493.31

### Cash Received:

Sale of Electricity .....	\$247,644.16
Street Light Appropriation .....	17,300.00
Miscellaneous Receipts .....	54,408.44
Notes Payable Issue .....	20,000.00
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Total Cash Received .....	\$339,352.60

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\$341,845.91

### Cash Disbursed:

Operating Accounts .....	\$252,007.33
Construction Accounts .....	51,563.30
Interest Paid .....	2,940.00
Bonds and Notes Paid .....	12,000.00
Transfer to Town Treasurer .....	19,488.35
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Total Disbursements .....	\$337,998.98

### Cash Balances December 31, 1935

Operation Fund .....	\$ None
Depreciation Fund .....	None
Construction Fund .....	3,596.93
Petty Cash Fund .....	250.00
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Total Cash Balances December 31, 1935 ..... \$ 3,846.93

**COMPARISON OF KILOWATT HOURS PURCHASED AND SOLD, ALSO INCOME  
RECEIVED AND AVERAGE RATE FOR EACH CLASS OF SERVICE**

**Kilowatt Hours Sold and Revenue:**

	K. W. H.	1935 Income	Average Rate	K. W. H.	1934 Income	Average Rate
Residence Service ..	3,946,502	\$174,839.84	4.430	3,741,318	\$166,793.32	4.458
Commercial Miscell.	353,980	9,750.15	2.754	324,730	8,959.39	2.759
Commercial Lighting	620,885	32,006.91	5.155	565,299	29,411.10	5.202
Com. Power—Retail	466,340	14,140.62	3.032	561,537	15,655.20	2.787
Com. Pow.—Whlsle.	354,780	6,850.72	1.931	314,070	6,099.89	1.942
Mun. Lighting .....	85,223	2,322.87	2.725	94,161	2,470.44	2.623
Mun. Miscellaneous	6,690	197.15	.030	9,760	262.39	.027
Mun. Power—Retail	1,776	72.91	.041	1,682	69.20	.041
Mun. Pow.—Whlsle.	337,700	6,250.52	.019	331,100	6,164.01	.019
Co-op. Resale Ser. .	30,261	901.06	2.977	18,403	581.44	3.159
Street Lighting ....	652,257	31,868.52	4.886	560,137	28,268.94	5.046
Totals .....	6,856,394	\$279,201.27	4.072	6,522,197	\$264,735.32	4.059

### INCOME FROM EACH TOWN

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease
Reading .....	\$172,396.44	\$163,282.27	\$ 9,114.17
Lynnfield Center .....	18,699.73	17,853.96	845.77
North Reading .....	33,260.14	31,486.99	1,773.15
Wilmington .....	53,887.65	51,530.66	2,356.99
Other Districts .....	957.31	581.44	375.87
Totals .....	\$279,201.27	\$264,735.32	\$ 14,465.95

### KILOWATT HOURS SOLD IN EACH TOWN

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease
Reading .....	4,785,604	4,575,383	210,221
Lynnfield Center .....	354,437	337,169	17,268
North Reading .....	678,059	639,882	38,177
Wilmington .....	1,008,033	951,360	56,673
Other Districts .....	30,261	18,403	11,858
Totals .....	6,856,394	6,522,197	334,197

### CLASSIFICATION OF CUSTOMERS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1935

	Totals	Reading	Lynnfield Center	North Reading	Wilmington
Residence Service .....	4972	2691	419	724	1138
Commercial Miscellaneous ....	120	58	8	18	36
Commercial Lighting .....	452	276	25	52	99
Commercial Power—Retail ....	110	64	4	15	27
Commercial Power—Wholesale ..	9	6	—	3	—
Municipal Miscellaneous .....	1	1	—	—	—
Municipal Lighting .....	36	36	—	—	—
Municipal Power—Retail .....	6	6	—	—	—
Municipal Power—Wholesale ..	5	5	—	—	—
Co-operative Resale Service ..	14	8	1	1	4
Private Street Lights .....	13	6	1	4	2
Public Street Lights .....	3	—	1	1	1
Totals for 1935 .....	5741	3157	459	818	1307
Totals for 1934 .....	5626	3094	447	800	1285
Increase .....	115	63	12	18	22
Decrease .....	—	—	—	—	—



# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF POLE ADDITIONS AND RENEWALS

Additions			
	1935	1934	1933
Reading .....	31	45	24
Lynnfield Center .....	1	2	11
North Reading .....	10	11	35
Wilmington .....	35	31	70
Total Additions .....	77	89	140
Renewals			
Reading .....	137	145	157
Lynnfield Center .....	29	12	14
North Reading .....	29	36	42
Wilmington .....	37	176	73
Total Renewals .....	232	369	286
<b>Total Poles Handled .....</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>426</b>

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF POLE ADDITIONS AND RENEWALS BY SIZES

Pole Size	Additions			Renewals		
	1935	1934	1933	1935	1934	1933
25 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—
30 .....	67	44	120	78	181	104
35 .....	10	39	16	142	167	162
40 .....	—	6	4	12	20	20
45 .....	—	—	—	—	1	—
50 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—
55 .....	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals .	77	89	140	232	369	286

# NUMBER OF STREET LIGHTS BY SIZES

	Totals	Reading	Lynnfield Center	North Reading	Wilmington
60 C. P. ....	1633	613	170	336	514
100 C. P. ....	15	15	—	—	—
250 C. P. ....	129	129	—	—	—
400 C. P. ....	38	38	—	—	—
600 C. P. ....	20	7	—	—	13
1000 C. P. ....	77	77	—	—	—
Totals .....	1912	879	170	336	527
Hours Burned .....	—	4034	2143	2143	2145

## PLANT INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS—ELECTRIC

### Plant Investments:

	Balance	Additions	Deductions	Balance
	Jan. 1, 1935	1935	1935	Dec. 31, 1935
Land .....	\$ 2,575.80	\$ ———	\$ ———	\$ 2,575.80
Structures .....	18,697.72	———	550.59	18,147.13
Structures—Garage .	14,214.10	———	342.30	13,871.80
Boiler Plant—Equip.	11,161.46	———	4,181.80	6,979.66
Prime Movers & Aux.	4,682.15	100.00	1,740.80	2,841.35
Turbo. Gen. Units ..	6,845.98	———	2,812.24	4,033.74
Elec. Plant—Steam .	24,887.22	33,757.41	3,508.81	55,135.82
Tran. Sta. & Substa.				
Equip. ....	484.30	———	14.53	469.77
Poles Fixt. & Over-				
head Cond. ....	241,031.65	12,191.50	6,646.89	246,576.26
Underground Cond. .	48,181.03	910.39	1,009.94	48,081.48
Underground Conduc-				
tors .....	42,341.39	575.09	1,327.16	41,589.32
Consumers' Meters .	34,979.91	1,500.89	1,862.70	34,618.10
Consumers' Meters—				
Installations .....	7,592.52	1,181.31	368.77	8,405.06
Line Transformers ..	37,787.93	799.15	1,842.54	36,744.54
Line Transformers—				
Installations .....	4,211.48	469.83	204.73	4,476.58
Street Light Equip. .	16,701.87	1,014.00	1,534.72	16,181.15
Consumers' Premises				
Equipment .....	38.13	———	38.13	———
	—————	—————	—————	—————
<b>Total Plant Invest. ...</b>	<b>\$516,414.64</b>	<b>\$ 52,299.57</b>	<b>\$ 27,986.65</b>	<b>\$540,727.56</b>

### General Equipment:

Office Equipment ..	\$ 7,420.25	\$ 159.70	\$ 370.01	\$ 7,209.94
Stores Equipment ...	548.14	———	47.91	500.23
Transport Equipment	1,800.00	827.51	827.51	1,800.00
Laboratory Equip. ..	2,367.89	83.43	———	2,451.32
Miscell. Equip. ....	1,378.98	16.00	268.77	1,126.21
<b>Total General Equip. .</b>	<b>\$ 13,515.26</b>	<b>\$ 1,086.64</b>	<b>\$ 1,514.20</b>	<b>\$ 13,087.70</b>
Unfinished Const. ....	\$ 2,076.53	\$ 692.60	———	\$ 2,769.13
<b>Total Investments ....</b>	<b>\$532,006.43</b>	<b>\$ 54,078.81</b>	<b>\$ 29,500.85</b>	<b>\$556,584.39</b>

## TOTAL COST OF PLANT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1935

Cost of Land .....	\$ 2,575.80	
Cost of Structures .....	44,644.60	\$ 47,220.40
<b>Generating Plant—Steam:</b>		
Cost of Boiler Plant and Equipment .....	69,696.71	
Cost of Prime Movers & Auxiliaries .....	27,713.38	
Cost of Turbo Generator Units .....	46,870.83	
Cost of Electric Plant—Steam .....	88,237.61	\$232,518.53
<b>Transmission, Distribution and Storage:</b>		
Cost of Trans. Sta. & Substa. Equip. ....	484.30	
Cost of Poles, Fixt. and Overhead Cond. ..	419,046.41	
Cost of Underground Conduits .....	51,407.52	
Cost of Underground Conductors .....	44,813.68	
Cost of Consumers' Meters .....	63,590.87	
Cost of Consumers' Meters Installations ..	13,473.74	
Cost of Line Transformers .....	62,217.07	
Cost of Transformer Installation .....	7,294.04	\$662,327.63
<b>Utilization Equipment:</b>		
Cost of Street Lighting Equip. ....	39,381.91	
Cost of Consumers' Premises Equipment .	428.99	\$ 39,810.90
<b>Total Cost of Electric Plant as shown by Books</b>		<b>\$981,877.46</b>

## COST OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IN OUTSIDE TOWNS

### North Reading

#### **Total Investment December 31, 1935:**

Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors .	\$ 84,350.93	
Consumers' Meters .....	11,599.47	
Line Transformers .....	9,253.51	
Street Lighting Equipment .....	3,143.96	\$108,347.87

### Lynnfield Center

#### **Total Investment December 31, 1935:**

Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors ..	\$ 36,430.43	
Consumers' Meters .....	5,791.00	
Line Transformers .....	2,964.64	
Street Lighting Equipment .....	1,893.45	\$ 47,079.52

### Wilmington

#### **Total Investment December 31, 1935:**

Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors ..	\$127,717.73	
Consumers' Meters .....	17,029.69	
Line Transformers .....	10,147.72	
Street Lighting Equipment .....	4,349.62	\$159,244.76
<b>Total Investments—Outside Towns</b> .....		<b>\$314,672.15</b>
<b>Total Income—Outside Towns</b> .....		<b>\$105,847.52</b>

### **MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES**

Line Materials .....	\$ 29,768.78
Electric Appliances—In Stock .....	20,015.21
Electric Appliances—In Consumers' Premises .....	6,750.55
Tools and Supplies .....	8,126.65
Coal .....	20.88
Total Materials and Supplies .....	<u>\$ 64,682.07</u>

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### **CASH BALANCES AT CLOSE OF YEAR 1935** **PETTY CASH FUND**

Petty Cash due Treasurer .....	\$ 250.00
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### **OPERATION FUND**

#### **DEBITS**

Balance at beginning of year .....	\$ None
Received from Sale of Electricity .....	247,644.16
Received from Appropriation for Street Lights .....	17,300.00
Received from Miscellaneous Items .....	54,408.44
Total Debits .....	<u>\$319,352.60</u>

#### **CREDITS**

Expenditures for Operating .....	\$252,007.33
Bonds and Notes Paid .....	12,000.00
Town Treasurer—Transfer of Funds .....	19,488.35
Interest Paid .....	2,940.00
Amount Transferred to Depreciation Fund ....	27,986.65
Amount Transferred to Construction Fund ....	4,930.27
Total Credits .....	<u>\$319,352.60</u>
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	\$ None

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### **DEPRECIATION FUND**

#### **DEBITS**

Balance January 1, 1935 .....	\$ 90.41
Amount Transferred from Income .....	27,986.65
Total Debits .....	<u>\$ 28,077.06</u>

### CREDITS

Amount Expended for Construction Purposes .	\$ 28,077.06
Amount Expended for Pole Renewals .....	None
Total Credits .....	\$ 28,077.06
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	None

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### CONSTRUCTION FUND

#### DEBITS

Balance January 1, 1935 .....	\$ 2,152.90
Transferred from Operation Fund .....	4,930.27
Total Debits .....	\$ 7,083.17

#### CREDITS

Amount Expended for Construction Purposes ..	\$ 3,486.24
Total Credits .....	\$ 3,486.24
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	\$ 3,596.93

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### SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION FUND

#### New Switch Board

#### DEBITS

Balance January 1, 1935 .....	\$ None
Received from Note Issue .....	20,000.00
Total Debits .....	\$ 20,000.00

#### CREDITS

Amount Expended for Construction Purposes .	\$ 20,000.00
Total Credits .....	\$ 20,000.00
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	\$ None

TABLE A

Year	Income from Sale of Electricity	Income from other Sources	Appropriations from Tax Levy for Street Lights	Appropriations from Tax Levy for Construction	Production Expense	Distribution and Utilization Expense	Miscellaneous Expense	Interest	Depreciation	Bond and Note Payments	Total Cost of Plant December 31
1910	\$25,668.87	\$ 604.88	\$10,000.00	\$ 270.00	\$13,228.57	\$3,271.76	\$4,429.32	\$2,335.75	\$3,556.00	\$4,000.00	\$135,992.62
1911	31,317.40	410.77	5,800.00	1,000.00	13,066.25	6,353.77	5,753.84	2,767.00	4,079.78	4,500.00	144,714.06
1912	37,171.93	599.07	5,000.00	5,500.00	17,546.87	5,605.41	5,605.18	3,018.21	4,143.80	7,200.00	173,091.96
1913	44,664.70	671.87	6,000.00	5,076.19	20,054.99	10,705.42	10,214.88	3,515.40	4,788.80	6,800.00	202,518.81
1914	49,799.75	791.14	4,500.00	4,132.07	19,014.03	7,784.82	8,697.05	4,453.33	6,051.08	9,000.00	233,509.58
1915	51,603.32	640.25	10,500.00	none	18,292.78	10,329.83	7,730.32	4,640.42	6,972.28	9,500.00	254,349.09
1916	61,900.01	911.69	5,000.00	none	22,261.19	13,986.22	8,316.39	4,704.99	7,597.47	10,800.00	269,898.27
1917	67,593.64	2,422.92	8,750.00	none	30,460.16	14,557.81	11,577.08	5,070.43	8,096.95	11,300.00	285,428.29
1918	78,096.09	1,537.86	11,000.00	none	41,006.13	13,572.51	11,311.54	6,882.24	8,529.85	14,800.00	348,871.08
1919	100,844.10	1,100.11	14,450.00	none	45,006.98	13,864.14	13,874.46	7,416.21	10,419.76	14,800.00	389,564.73
1920	126,152.11	1,094.66	11,000.00	none	56,187.74	17,085.95	17,142.48	7,850.70	15,507.13	18,300.00	421,048.20
1921	135,886.69	219.20	17,500.00	none	52,738.98	24,453.15	16,594.65	7,423.10	16,767.55	19,300.00	449,540.12
1922	155,505.14	675.94	15,300.00	none	55,137.36	22,473.04	21,749.07	6,807.64	17,959.59	16,800.00	477,852.76
1923	165,971.81	464.31	14,800.00	none	62,732.83	20,247.54	27,138.65	6,437.28	19,011.08	15,800.00	505,983.28
1924	177,889.16	1,373.72	12,000.00	none	61,286.63	25,898.28	32,451.22	6,174.57	20,136.30	15,800.00	530,147.28
1925	185,492.72	1,112.19	11,000.00	none	73,140.10	28,272.55	34,767.23	5,482.46	21,102.86	13,800.00	568,524.09
1926	201,956.03	<b>3,421.99</b>	12,000.00	none	88,478.94	29,349.46	34,513.46	5,100.14	22,637.93	12,800.00	615,915.35
1927	221,343.72	<b>625.30</b>	13,500.00	none	67,661.31	50,863.76	37,505.89	4,763.62	24,533.58	15,800.00	651,367.92
1928	228,414.97	585.27	13,500.00	none	67,410.22	63,361.23	44,676.08	4,062.79	25,951.68	14,800.00	682,234.74
1929	245,942.45	861.14	13,000.00	none	71,418.27	67,309.66	49,303.18	3,440.81	27,186.35	13,800.00	729,196.45
1930	266,891.46	<b>1,995.34</b>	12,000.00	none	79,991.86	77,764.90	48,720.62	3,148.66	29,064.82	12,800.00	767,809.12
1931	276,759.47	<b>4,855.99</b>	13,500.00	none	80,091.66	84,502.49	49,164.87	3,764.01	30,609.33	13,000.00	844,355.52
1932	286,622.54	<b>6,334.73</b>	15,960.00	none	83,281.13	71,776.97	53,993.36	3,772.50	33,671.19	15,000.00	875,155.91
1933	274,696.67	<b>3,129.93</b>	15,200.00	none	80,244.08	56,319.49	48,573.69	3,031.04	34,892.99	12,000.00	908,052.06
1934	264,735.32	<b>3,553.44</b>	13,800.00	none	86,120.77	70,772.83	48,265.75	2,906.05	36,219.05	10,000.00	935,464.20
1935	279,201.27	<b>5,246.90</b>	17,300.00	none	93,856.11	72,417.54	47,693.23	2,858.13	27,986.65	12,000.00	981,877.46



TABLE B

Year	K. W. H. Generated	K. W. H. Purchased	K. W. H. Sold	K. W. H. Delivered to Read'g. St. Lights	K. W. H. Used at Stat'n. Stock Rm. & Appliance Rm.	K. W. H. Unaccounted for	Net Tons of Coal Used	Average Cost of Coal Per Ton	Number of Customers	Number of Street Lights	Horse Power in Motors
1910	698,597		300,861	227,100	16,269	154,367	1,748.3	3.461	738	269	116 1-2
1911	771,011		367,317	244,055	15,403	144,236	1,807.6	3.341	888	382	215
1912	919,282		481,801	242,033	13,307	182,141	2,247.8	3.741	1,078	698	242 1-4
1913	1,045,592		599,893	255,744	15,283	174,672	2,680	3.941	1,263	903	272
1914	986,476		578,709	187,590	15,283	204,894	2,496.4	3.666	1,390	993	313 7-10
1915	980,688		548,607	156,505	10,403	265,173	2,298.2	3.578	1,599	1,181	381
1916	1,231,677		751,735	170,810	13,916	295,216	2,741.7	3.934	1,805	1,225	441
1917	1,291,216		812,507	168,535	12,464	297,710	3,086.7	6.348	1,964	1,295	492
1918	1,318,546		976,121	125,820	10,573	206,032	3,348.8	7.875	2,083	1,303	672
1919	2,056,834		1,358,028	172,948	189,067	336,791	3,640	7.517	2,333	1,339	886
1920	2,297,237		1,444,960	175,704	257,999	418,574	3,615	10.352	2,617	1,363	812.5
1921	2,193,092		1,471,698	178,892	146,205	396,296	3,308.4	10.171	2,939	1,473	1,120.5
1922	2,609,076		1,583,716	183,250	276,477	565,633	3,791.5	9.00	3,234	1,481	1,197.5
1923	3,039,677	3,520	2,046,848	183,935	342,189	470,225	4,577.7	8.94	3,666	1,494	1,367.5
1924	3,572,588		2,463,602	209,738	392,281	506,967	3,379.5	6.503	4,058	1,537	1,281.8
1925	4,051,182	25,495	2,848,309	241,476	383,152	578,245	6,317.7	6.358	4,472	1,572	1,395.2
1926	3,600,580	819,787	3,071,944	249,386	366,352	732,685	5,740.2	6.488	4,786	1,602	1,429
1927	406,693	4,396,397	3,676,545	261,361	58,249	806,935	947	6.609	5,017	1,635	1,630.9
1928	none	5,097,768	3,898,620	259,482	25,625	914,041	204	6.354	5,085	1,655	1,723.5
1929	103,985	6,362,853	5,240,360	278,217	56,368	1,163,488	378	6.783	5,221	1,723	2,354.25
1930	none	7,050,708	5,355,542	298,730	52,117	979,492	150	5.75	5,380	1,758	1,592
1931	none	6,885,880	5,640,426	324,162	51,932	857,870	145.8	5.04	5,487	1,762	2,527
1932	none	7,324,775	6,292,489	422,748	57,926	971,974	129.9	4.91	5,547	1,806	2,275
1933	none	7,213,269	6,259,657	375,574	63,444	890,168	92.5	4.53	5,652	1,827	2,165
1934	none	7,516,389	6,522,197	407,660	69,229	924,963	91.5	5.75	5,626	1,864	1,907
1935	none	7,973,642	6,856,394	496,218	70,351	1,046,896	127.	6.34	5,741	1,912	1,900

(Estimated)

TABLE C

Production Costs Per K. W. H. Based on Total K. W. H. Delivered at

Year	Switchboard				Total Costs
	K. W. H. Purchased	Fuel	Labor	Repairs and other Station Expense	
1910		.0086	.0075	.0026	.0187
1911		.0078	.0069	.0021	.0168
1912		.0091	.0071	.0027	.0189
1913		.0101	.0070	.0020	.0191
1914		.0092	.0082	.0017	.0191
1915		.0085	.0087	.0013	.0185
1916		.0087	.0071	.0022	.0180
1917		.0144	.0075	.0015	.0234
1918		.0200	.0085	.0025	.0310
1919		.0133	.0066	.0019	.0218
1920		.0162	.0071	.0009	.0242
1921		.0153	.0077	.0009	.0240
1922		.0131	.0066	.0014	.0211
1923		.0134	.0057	.0014	.0205
1924		.00979	.0055	.00166	.01695
1925		.00991	.0054	.00272	.01803
1926	.0285	.01034	.0056	.00212	.0200
1927	.01116	.01205	.00246	.00390	.01743
1928	.01227	None	.00170	.00225	.01622
1929	.01051	.01444	.00141	.00150	.01349
1930	.01106	None	.00124	.00127	.0136
1931	.01134	None	.00128	.00027	.0129
1932	.01107	None	.00119	.00027	.0125
1933	.01094	None	.00107	.00017	.0122
1934	.01120	None	.00125	.00025	.0127
1935	.01162	None	.00117	.00015	.0129

TABLE D

## Average Cost Per K. W. H. As Defined by Chapter 164, General Laws

	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919
Operating Costs:	.0397	.0483	.0362	.0586	.0467	.0577	.0538	.0509
Fixed Costs:	.0198	.0176	.0254	.0299	.0261	.0249	.0274	.0213
Total Costs	.0595	.0659	.0616	.0885	.0728	.0326	.0812	.0722
	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
Operating Costs:	.0588	.0640	.0561	.0494	.0377	.0442	.0448	.0395
Fixed Costs:	.0259	.0330	.0278	.0185	.0138	.0131	.0129	.0115
Total Costs:	.0817	.0970	.0839	.0679	.0515	.0573	.0577	.0510
	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935
Operating Costs:	.0414	.0359	.0344	.0368	.0332	.0295	.0315	.0320
Fixed Cost	.0016	.0085	.0075	.0079	.0083	.0030	.0075	.0063
Total Costs:	.0530	.0444	.0419	.0447	.0415	.0375	.0390	.0383

## VOUCHER REGISTER BALANCE

DECEMBER 31, 1935

	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous
Edison Elec. Illum. Co.	28,844.26	10,267.24	9,533.30	9,043.72
Hazard Insulated Wire Works .....	<b>18.00</b>			<b>18.00</b>
General Cable Corp. ..	<b>15.29</b>			<b>15.29</b>
Wetmore-Savage Div. ..	1,573.02	254.71	475.84	842.47
Kelvinator Corp. ....	363.13	102.78	216.55	43.89
Milhender, Inc. ....	2,100.27	192.83	650.92	1,256.52
W. L. Thompson, Inc. ..	313.50		161.00	152.50
Dyer-Clark Co. ....	83.84	61.16		22.68
General Electric Co. ..	214.97	20.00	.40	194.57
Hygrade Sylvania Corp.	622.96	152.72	470.24	
The Texas Company ..	485.15	143.05	122.70	219.40
Bigelow & Dowse Co. ..	<b>16.77</b>			<b>16.77</b>
Geo. H. Buckminster Co.	405.77	75.89	66.92	262.96
Kellogg Mfg. Co. ....	<b>45.03</b>			<b>45.03</b>
George H. Wahn Co. ..	459.55	55.69	25.86	378.00
Boston Review .....	215.00	40.00	25.00	150.00
Taylor Calhoun Co. ..	191.51	11.07	<b>41.56</b>	222.00
Chase, Parker & Co. ..	7.50		7.50	
Decatur & Hopkins Co.	461.94	156.04	159.32	146.58

	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous
Gallant's Electric Motor Service .....	18.25	14.25		4.00
H. B. McArdle .....	19.45		11.60	7.85
L. E. Muran Co. ....	9.13		2.78	6.35
Reading Chronicle ....	222.59	8.88	71.43	142.28
Sager Elec. Supply Co.	257.32	157.10	27.01	73.21
Simplex Wire & Cable Co. ....	165.65	78.55	<b>8.05</b>	95.15
Woburn Machine Co. ..	19.70	5.50	10.24	3.96
E. B. Currell & Son ..	53.00		20.15	32.85
Delande's Electric & Plumbing Sup. Co.	45.06		7.14	37.92
Electromaster, Inc. ....	57.07	12.49	1.61	42.97
T. C. Fife .....	94.25	17.94	1.86	74.45
General Electric Supply Corp. ....	57.32	17.28	12.20	27.84
Landers, Frary & Clark	119.48	118.82	.66	
Edward Lappin .....	97.13	12.57	23.85	60.71
Shine-All Sales Co. ....	53.25		5.75	47.50
Fred F. Smith, Inc. ....	146.13	146.13		
Wagner Electric Corp. .	5.24			5.24
Wilmington News ....	66.50	31.50	35.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel Co. (Const. Items) ...	478.15	61.03	16.00	401.21
Butts & Ordway Co. ..	43.20			43.20
Calif. Stucco Products .	64.25		<b>1.75</b>	66.00
Clapp & Leach, Inc. ...	391.31	98.41	115.71	177.19
A. E. Martell Co., Inc. .	63.96		1.82	62.14
W. N. Matthews Corp. .	72.40		20.40	52.00
Roovers Bros., Inc. ....	11.81			11.81
Christian Science Pub. Society .....	10.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Hynes & Cox Electric Corp. ....	18.18			18.18
A. J. Lindermann & Hoverson Co. ....	14.91	1.19	12.97	.75
Lowell Electric Light Corp. ....	58.84	58.84		
Petroleum Heat & Power Co. ....	108.38	61.57	30.31	16.50
Town of Reading, Sewer Dept. ....	7.23			7.23
Robbins-Phalon Co. ..	32.34	4.90	26.65	.79

	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous
Rochester Germicide Co.	22.00			22.00
Andren-Myerson Corp	9.00			9.00
Hodson Brothers .....	9.95	9.95		
Olmstead-Flint Corp. ..	7.38			7.38
Reading Motor Co. ....	54.61	20.06	5.45	29.10
A. Werby Co. ....	45.00			45.00
Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.	1.26			1.26
Wendell Bancroft & Co.	70.05	55.62	.54	13.89
Buckwalter Stove Co. .	1.49			1.49
M. F. Charles .....	16.95		2.65	14.30
Ralph R. Currier .....	5.60			5.60
Davis Emergen'y Equip. Co. ....	4.38			4.38
Des Roberts Electrical Supply Co. ....	278.90	194.75		84.15
Detroit Vapor Stove Division .....	10.65	9.62	1.51	.48
Dockam Express Co. ..	1.25	.75		.50
Electric Motor Service Co. ....	4.50	1.48		3.02
Golden Bell Cleaners, Inc. ....	4.47	3.49	.49	.49
T. C. Guinan .....	5.05	1.26		3.79
Hook & Coward .....	58.57	49.44	8.40	.73
Kenney Service Station	11.00	5.10	4.05	1.85
Line Material Co. ....	4.62		2.91	1.71
George W. Marshall ..	9.35		4.50	4.85
Upson-Walton Co. ....	10.82			10.82
Van Praag Sales Corp.	5.24			5.24
B. F. Waldron & Son .	1.47			1.47
Alex Lindsay .....	1.00			1.00
Addressograph Co. ....	15.76		15.76	
Boston Janitor's Supply Co., Inc. ....	2.92		2.92	
Henry Jenkins Trans. Co. ....	5.29		5.29	
Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.	628.66	626.91	1.75	
Walker & Pratt Mfg. Co.	14.00		14.00	

	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous.
Premier Vac. Cleaner Co. ....	1.64		1.64	
J. Brinton Bailey .....	29.56	7.00	22.56	
Wm. Blanchard Co. ...	2.50		2.50	
C. I. Brink .....	4.50		4.50	
Farrington Electric Co.	3.50		3.50	
Graybar Electric Co. ..	242.17	137.75	104.42	
The Hardy Co. ....	<b>2.50</b>		<b>2.50</b>	
Howe & French, Inc. ..	8.31		8.31	
Harry E. Smith, Inc. ..	23.40		23.40	
Virginia Smelting Co. ..	5.95		5.95	
Boston Transcript .....	80.00		80.00	
Dayton Pump & Mfg. Co. ....	2.59		2.59	
Diadem Surgicals, Inc.	13.22		13.32	
Eureka Vac. Cleaner Co. ....	11.62		7.68	3.94
Laing Chevrolet Co. ..	10.73		10.73	
H. S. Macomber Co. ..	2.20	1.90	.30	
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co. ....	27.23		27.23	
Winchester Repeating Arms Co. ....	5.94		5.94	
George H. Ball Co. ....	.25		.25	
Dickie-Raymond, Inc. .	114.00		114.00	
Max G. Horovitz Co. .	21.75		21.75	
Manning-Bowman & Co.	.85		.85	
William J. Sullivan ...	3.00		3.00	
Unique Mfg. Co., Inc. .	2.58		2.58	
Henry Blethen .....	26.54	26.54		
R. S. Hanks .....	47.00	47.00		
Paper Makers Chemical Corp. ....	1.70	1.70		
Sweeper-Vac Co. ....	41.40	41.40		
D. M. Laffin .....	8.40	8.40		
Law & Ingham Trans. Co. ....	1.50	1.50		



	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous
McBee Co. ....	1.58	1.58		
Mutual Public Service Co. ....	31.50	31.50		
Town of Reading, High- way Dept. ....	21.00	21.00		
Stanwood-Hillson Corp.	51.41	51.41		
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co. (Service Items) ..	103.99	103.99		
Van I. Bennett .....	5.31	5.31		
Boston Easy Washer Distributors, Inc. ..	.90	.90		
Davis & Abbott .....	4.00	4.00		
Dover Mfg. Co. ....	1.39	1.39		
Edson Corp. ....	44.77	44.77		
Donald W. Foster ....	16.00	16.00		
Martin B. Hartshorn ..	1,769.53	1,769.53		
Industrial Products Co.	6.93	6.93		
Malone Bros. Co. ....	1.98	1.98		
National Enameling & Stamping Co. ....	1.77	1.77		
Phelps, Dodge Copper Products Corp. ....	83.78	83.78		
L. B. Philbrick Co. ....	15.23	15.23		
Webster-Thomas Co. ..	18.77	18.77		
Burnby Engineering Co., Inc. ....	13.35	13.35		
Albert E. Mace Co., Inc.	5.20	5.20		
McGunigle & Tounge, Inc. ....	10.09	10.09		
Jos. T. Ryerson & Son, Inc. ....	13.48	13.48		
Waldo Bros. Co. ....	9.90	9.90		
Malden Morris Plan Co.	138.20	138.20		
Henry Doucette .....	6.95	6.95		
Frank Rossman .....	5.45	5.45		
J. M. Maxwell, Jr., & Son .....	45.41	45.41		

	Totals	December	November	Oct. and Previous
Reading Messenger ...	15.00	15.00		
Petty Cash .....	27.61	27.61		
Boston & Maine R.R.	4.01	4.01		
Electric Power Equip- ment Corp. ....	149.75	149.75		
Estate Stove Co. ....	.32	.32		
General Motors Truck Co. ....	15.34	15.34		
Johns-Manville Sales Corp. ....	1.35	1.35		
Mathias-Hart Co. ....	17.72	17.72		
Prescott R. Nichols ...	2.26	2.26		
Taylor Instrument Co's.	.94	.94		
B. F. Waldron & Son ..	11.11	11.11		
Oliver Whyte Co. ...	22.50	22.50		
Dominick Zanni .....	6.00	6.00		
G. H. Atkinson Co. ....	7.50	7.50		
H. N. Hartwell & Son, Inc. ....	151.95	151.95		
W. E. Johnson .....	1.25	1.25		
Hills-McCanna Co. ....	14.50	14.50		
Post Publishing Co. ..	1.75	1.75		
Service Recorder Co. ..	6.50	6.50		
Brooks' Express .....	12.55	12.55		
Railway Exp. Agency .	2.62	2.62		
Condit Electrical Mfg. Corp. ....	50.65	50.65		
Francis Brothers .....	18.70	18.70		
H. J. Montgomery ....	33.16	33.16		
Decatur & Hopkins Co. (as of Jan. 1, 1936)	757.98	757.98		
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	\$ 44,952.97	\$ 17,456.14	\$ 12,857.55	\$ 14,639.28

# TOWN OF READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

## REPORT OF EXAMINATION

For the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1935.

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Jan. 29, 1936

To the Municipal Light Board,  
Town of Reading,  
Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

We have examined the books of account and financial records of the Municipal Light Department of the Town of Reading for the year ended December 31, 1935, and submit herein our report consisting of the following exhibits, schedules, comments and explanations.

### **Exhibits:**

"A"—Comparative Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1935 and 1934.

"B"—Comparative Statement of Operations for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

"C"—Comparative Statement of Profit and Loss for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

### **Schedules:**

"1"—Comparative classified statement of Income for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

"2"—Comparative classified statement of operating expenses for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

"3"—Detail of bonds and notes authorized, issued and outstanding as at December 31, 1935.

"4"—Comparative statement of merchandise operations for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

"5"—Comparative detail of kilowatt hours purchased, sold, used and unaccounted for, for the years ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

# **COMMENTS AND EXPLANATIONS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

PLANT INVESTMENT—\$540,727.56.

Changes in plant investment accounts during the year may be summarized as follows:

Account	Balance January 1 1935	Net Additions	De- preciation	Balance December 31 1935
Land .....	\$ 2,575.80	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ 2,575.80
Structures .....	18,697.72	.00	550.59	18,147.13
Structures—Garage and Storeroom .....	14,214.10	.00	342.30	13,871.80
Boiler Plant Equip. ..	11,161.46	.00	4,181.80	6,979.66
Prime Movers and Auxiliaries .....	4,682.15	<b>100.00</b>	1,740.80	2,841.35
Turbo-Generator Units	6,845.98	.00	2,812.24	4,033.74
Elec. Plant—Steam ..	24,887.22	.00	3,508.81	21,378.41
Elec. Plant—Steam— New Switchboard ...	.00	33,757.41	.00	33,757.41
Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors	241,031.65	12,191.50	6,646.89	246,576.26
Transformer Station and Substation Equip.	484.30	.00	14.53	469.77
Underground Conduits	48,181.03	910.39	1,009.94	48,081.48
Underground Conduct- tors .....	42,341.39	575.09	1,327.16	41,589.32
Consumers' Meters ....	34,979.91	1,500.89	1,862.70	34,618.10
Consumers' Meter In- stallations .....	7,592.52	1,181.31	368.77	8,405.06
Line Transformers ...	37,787.93	799.15	1,842.54	36,744.54
Transformers Install's.	4,211.48	469.83	204.73	4,476.58
Street Lighting Equip.	16,701.37	1,014.00	1,534.72	16,181.15
Consumers' Premises Equipment .....	38.13	.00	38.13	.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$516,414.64</b>	<b>\$ 52,299.57</b>	<b>\$ 27,986.65</b>	<b>\$540,727.56</b>

In our opinion, the additions to these accounts represent proper charges to capital.

Depreciation on plant investment accounts, based on 3% of the cost at beginning of year, exclusive of land, was charged to operations for the year. Depreciation is applied directly against the asset accounts and accordingly the balances shown in Exhibit "A" of this report represent depreciated values.

Included in the additions to plant accounts for the year is \$33,757.41, representing the cost of installation of a new switchboard and additional feeder regulators at the power station. At a meeting of the voters of the Town held in March, 1935, it was voted to appropriate \$20,000.00 for the above installation, and the Town Treasurer did borrow this amount, issuing as evidence of the indebtedness \$20,000.00 of 1- $\frac{3}{4}$ % notes. In addition to the above amount borrowed for this installation, it is necessary to draw on the Depreciation and Construction Funds to the amount of \$13,757.41.

Other additions to plant accounts represent additions and improvements necessary in the regular conduct of the Department and to take care of increased business.

#### **General Equipment—\$13,087.70**

With the exception of "Office Equipment account" the items comprising the general equipment balance have been inventoried at December 31, 1935 and book accounts adjusted to conform with those inventories. Depreciation of Office Equipment was charged to expenses for the year at the rate of 5% of the book value at the beginning of year.

#### **Unfinished Construction—\$2,769.13**

Expenditures on account of construction work incompleated as at December 31, 1935 comprised the following:

Plans for proposed 4,000 volt switching equipment	\$ 185.00
Cost of temporary tie-in at the station of the overhead and underground systems .....	2,584.13
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Total	\$ 2,769.13

#### **Construction Fund—\$3,596.93**

In accordance with article 4 acted upon at a meeting of the voters of the Town held in March, 1935, the balance of the Operating Fund was transferred to the Construction Fund. The balance of the Construction Fund at December 31, 1935 was confirmed by the Town Accountant.

"Bills Approval Sheets" were examined and additions and entries in the cash book for the year were thoroughly tested.

**Petty Cash Fund—\$250.00.**

Funds held in the office for the purpose of petty expenditures and making change were counted on January 9, 1936 and were found to be substantially in agreement with the above amount.

**Customers' Deposit Fund—\$7,518.81**

This amount represents the balance as at December 31, 1935 of funds deposited by customers to guarantee payment of bills owing this department. The above balance was on deposit with the Mechanics Savings Bank, verification of which was made by reference to a pass book issued by that institution.

**Notes Receivable—\$805.18.**

The balance of this account as shown by the books of account comprised the following:

Date	Maker	Maturity	Amt.	Int. Rate
November 10, 1933	Fred L. Norris	Demand	\$ 356.75	6%
June 28, 1934	George W. Davis	Due in 2 Years— monthly payments of \$5.00	448.43*	6%
Total			\$ 805.18	

\*Original amount \$453.43, one monthly payment made.

There was no change in the balance of this account during the year. The notes, which are held in the office of the department were examined by us during the course of our examination.

**Accounts Receivable—Consumers—\$23,771.32.**

The balance of this account represents amounts owing the department as at December 31, 1935, on account of light and power billings to the close of the last route cycle prior to December 31. Our verification of the above consisted of checking the balances of the various consumers' cards, the total of which was in agreement with the control account. No direct verification was made with any debtors. Accounts deemed uncollectable totaling \$1,408.04 were charged off during the year.

**Accounts Receivable—Miscellaneous—\$8,119.99.**

According to the books of account, the above amount was due the department on account of sales of miscellaneous appliances, jobbing sales and rentals as at December 31, 1935. Our verification of the above balance consisted of checking the totals of the various individual balances with the control account. The balance outstanding



December 31, 1935 may be summarized as follows:

Accounts arising from:

December 1935 billings .....	\$ 1,749.62
November 1935 billings .....	282.50
October 1935 and prior billings .....	4,360.29
Lease installments unpaid .....	1,727.58

Total	\$ 8,119.99
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Accounts totaling \$302.74 were deemed uncollectible and were accordingly written off the books. We did not make direct verification with the debtors.

**Materials and Supplies—\$64,682.07.**

We were advised that an inventory of all materials and supplies was taken at December 31, 1935, under the supervision of the various departmental heads. A summary of that inventory is shown below:

Material and Supplies—General .....	\$ 28,441.77
Transmission and Distribution Supplies .....	46.36
Street Light Supplies .....	785.01
Consumers' Installations Supplies .....	157.41
Transportation Supplies .....	338.23

Sub-total .....	\$ 29,768.78
Station Tools and Appliances .....	\$ 585.88
Distribution Tools and Appliances .....	6,437.17
Office Supplies .....	622.12
Lamps and Appliances .....	20,146.05
Coal Supply .....	20.88
Station Supplies .....	350.64
Leased Appliances (depreciated value) .....	6,750.55*
Total .....	\$ 64,682.07

\*This account represents the depreciated original installed cost as at December 31, 1935 of electric ranges and water heaters. These appliances are leased for periods of five and seven years respectively and for which the department receives \$1.50 monthly rental for the stated lease periods. At the expiration of the lease periods and provided all installments have been paid, title passes to the consumer. Depreciation on this equipment has been taken at a rate sufficient to write off the original installed cost over the lease periods and has been applied to account No. 561—“Rent Electric Appliances”.

We are advised that most of the inventory at December 31, 1935, was priced at cost. In certain cases appraised values were used. Book

values of these accounts were adjusted to conform with inventory values. All mathematical computations of inventories were checked by us.

**Prepaid Insurance—\$1,186.93.**

The above balance represents the unexpired insurance premiums at December 31, 1935, as computed by us from insurance policies examined.

**Bonds Payable—\$49,500.00.**

The balance of bonds outstanding December 31, 1935, as shown by the books, is reflected in this account. The above balance was confirmed by the Town Accountant. During the year a total of \$10,000.00 of this indebtedness was retired. A detail of the various issues and changes in same during the year is set forth in Schedule "3" of this report.

**Notes Payable—\$38,000.00**

The indebtedness of the department on account of its note liability at December 31, 1935, as shown by the books, is set forth in this account. Confirmation of the above balance was received from the Town Accountant. During the year new notes in the amount of \$20,000.00 were issued to provide funds for the new switchboard, etc. installed at the power plant. A total of \$2,000.00 was retired on notes issued during 1934 in accordance with those note provisions resulting in a net increase in this liability of \$18,000.00 for the year. A detail of the notes issued, and changes in the account during the year is set forth in Schedule "3" of this report.

**Accounts Payable—\$44,952.97.**

The liability of the department on account of unpaid invoices at December 31, 1935, as reflected by the records was \$44,952.97. A schedule of unpaid items was checked with unpaid invoices, the total of which was in agreement with the control account. The above balance may be aged as follows:

December 1935 invoices .....	\$ 17,455.94
November 1935 invoices .....	12,857.75
October 1935 invoices .....	13,553.58
Prior to October 1935 invoices .....	1,085.70

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Total .....	\$ 44,952.97
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From records examined, it appeared that all invoices applicable to the year had been recorded.

**Consumers' Deposits—\$7,518.81**

As at December 31, 1935, the department held the above amount representing deposits made by certain consumers to insure payment of bills owing the department. This liability is offset by a separate fund on deposit with the Mechanics Savings Bank, previously described in this report under caption, "Consumers' Deposit Fund". The total balances shown by individual consumers' cards was in agreement with the above amount. Interest is paid on the deposits held by the department six months or more at the rate of four per cent per annum.

**Accrued Items—\$861.30.**

The items comprising the above balance, and as set forth in Exhibit "A" of this report are as follows:

Interest Accrued on Bonds and Notes Payable ....	\$	480.01
Loan from Town Treasurer, for petty cash purposes		250.00
Premium on Bonds .....		131.29
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Total .....	\$	861.30

Interest accrued on bonds and notes outstanding was verified. A detail of the accrued balances on the various issues is set forth in Schedule "3" of this report.

Confirmation of amount owing the Town Treasurer, on account of loan to this Department for petty cash purposes, was received from the Town Accountant.

Premium on bonds represents premium received on \$20,000.00 face value of notes issued during 1935, amounting to \$174.00 (notes being sold at \$100.87), less expenses account of issue amounting to \$42.71. The net balance will be carried in this account until first payment on account of principal is made in 1936.

**Loans Repayment—\$366,400.00**

The balance of this account reflects an increase of \$12,000.00 during the year which is represented by the amount of retirement bonds and notes during the year. The above balance may be summarized as follows:

	Total Issued	Balance Outstanding	Total Retired
		12-31-35	
Bonds .....	\$322,500.00	\$ 49,500.00	\$273,000.00
Notes .....	131,400.00	38,000.00	93,400.00
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Totals .....	\$453,900.00	\$ 87,500.00	\$366,400.00

See Schedule "3" of this report for further detail of above.

**Appropriation for Construction Repayment—\$30,678.26.**

This account represents amounts appropriated by the Town from tax levy for the benefit of this department and which have been fully repaid to the town.

**Profit and Loss—\$128,604.28.**

The above balance as at December 31, 1935 reflects a decrease of \$3,034.29 during the year. A detail of this decrease is set forth in Exhibit "C" of this report.

The net income of the department for the year was \$29,142.71 before bond and note retirement, payment to the Town Treasurer and miscellaneous adjustments. A detail of net income referred to above is shown in Exhibit "B" of this report.

**Comments and Explanations of Operations.**

The following is a summary of the increase in net operating income for the year 1935 over 1934:

Items	Increase Decrease*
Total Operating Revenues .....	\$ 14,426.90
Total Operating Expenses .....	419.22
Net Operating Revenue .....	\$ 14,007.68
Deductions from Net Operating Revenue .....	1,602.87
Non-Operating Income .....	\$ 12,404.81
	<b>159.63*</b>
Net Operating Income .....	\$ 12,245.18

The increase in total operating revenues for the year is mainly attributable to increased sales of kilowatt hours for "Residence Lighting", "Commercial Lighting" and "Street Lighting". According to the records, kilowatt hours sold in 1935 for the three classes of income stated above exceeded the sales for 1934 by 343,899, resulting in an increase in revenue from those sources of \$14,185.66.

Operating expenses reflect an increase of \$419.22 over 1934. The factors resulting in this increase are as follows:

Increase account of 457,253 kilowatt hours purchased in 1935 in excess of 1934 .....	\$ 8,354.72
Less:	
Depreciation on plant equipment charged to expenses at 3% of cost for 1935—4% for 1934 .....	8,232.40
	<b>\$ 122.32</b>

Add:

Increase in Transmission and Distribution Expenses .....	\$ 1,962.30
Increase in New Business Expenses .....	437.75
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	\$ 2,522.37

Deduct:

Decrease in Production Expenses (exclusive of Electric Energy Purchased) .....	\$ 619.38	
Decrease in Utilization Expenses .....	317.59	
Decrease in Commercial Expenses .....	78.73	
Decrease in General Expenses (exclusive of depreciation) .....	1,087.45	2,103.15
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Net Increase in Operating Expenses	\$	419.22

Had depreciation on plant equipment been charged to expenses for 1935 on the same basis as 1934, i. e. 4% of the cost of plant at beginning of year, exclusive of land, instead of 3% of the cost, the increase in "Net Operating Revenue" would have been \$4,678.79 instead of \$14,007.68, and the increase in "Net Operating Income" would have been \$2,916.29 instead of \$12,245.18.

Kilowatt hours sold during 1935 totaled 6,852,795 as compared with 6,522,197 for 1934. The average revenue per kilowatt hour sold in 1935 was .0407 as compared with .0406 for 1934.

A comparative tabulation of kilowatt hours purchased, sold, used and unaccounted for as shown by the records of the department is set forth in Schedule "5" of this report.

We have made a series of tests of the operating accounts for the year in order to satisfy ourselves of the general accuracy of same.

### Other Comments

At a meeting of the voters of the Town held in March, 1935, it was voted among other things, that, if the income of this department, including the appropriation for street lighting shall exceed the expenses, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the general laws, for the current fiscal year, \$20,000.00 of such excess shall be transferred to the general funds of the Town and the balance shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of the department and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board. The excess of income over expenses for 1935, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the general laws amounted to \$16,965.71.

On December 31, 1935, this department transferred \$19,488.35 in cash, which amount together with cancellation of \$511.65 due from the Town on account of E. R. A. activities, makes a total of \$20,000.00 transferred to the general funds of the Town.

A contingent liability in the amount of \$13,292.42 existed at December 31, 1935 on account of leases received from installment sales of electrical appliances and which were discounted with the Malden Morris Plan.

During the year the department purchased a blanket policy bonding all employees of the department in the amount of \$2,500.00 each. Additional coverage is carried as follows:

Manager .....	\$ 2,500.00
Office Manager .....	2,500.00
Cashiers (2) .....	2,500.00 each
Collectors (2) .....	500.00 each

The following exhibits and schedules have been prepared on the basis of, and are subject to the comments as hereinbefore stated.

For your convenience, these exhibits and schedules are set up in accordance with the "Uniform System of Accounts for Municipal Lighting Plants" as prescribed by the Department of Public Utilities of Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,  
 CHARLES E. STANWOOD & COMPANY  
 By A. T. Stanwood

## EXHIBIT "A"

### TOWN OF READING—MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT

December 31, 1935 and 1934

#### ASSETS

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
<b>Plant Investment:</b>			
111 Land .....	\$ 2,575.80	\$ 2,575.80	\$ .00
113 Structures .....	32,018.93	32,911.82	892.89*
114 Boiler Plant Equipment....	6,979.66	11,161.46	4,181.80*
115 Prime Movers & Auxiliaries	2,841.35	4,682.15	1,840.80*



	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
116 Turbo-Generator Units ...	4,033.74	6,845.98	2,812.24*
117 Electric Plant—Steam ....	21,378.41	24,887.22	3,508.81*
117-1 Elec. Plant—Steam—New Switchboard .....	33,757.41	.00	33,757.41
123 Transformer Station & Sub- station Equipment .....	469.77	484.30	14.53*
125 Poles, Fixtures and Over- head Conductors .....	246,576.26	241,031.65	5,544.61
126 Underground Conduits ...	48,081.48	48,181.03	99.55*
127 Underground Conductors ..	41,589.32	42,341.39	752.07*
128 Consumers' Meters .....	34,618.10	34,979.91	361.81*
129 Consumers' Meter Install's.	8,405.06	7,592.52	812.54
130 Line Transformers .....	36,744.54	37,787.93	1,043.39*
131 Transformer Installations .	4,476.58	4,211.48	265.10
132 Street Lighting Equipment	16,181.15	16,701.87	520.72*
133 Consumers' Prem Equip. ..	.00	38.13	38.13*
<b>TOTAL PLANT EQUIPMENT .</b>	<b>\$540,727.56</b>	<b>\$516,414.64</b>	<b>\$ 24,312.92</b>

#### General Equipment:

150 Office .....	\$ 7,209.94	\$ 7,420.25	\$ 210.31*
152 Stores .....	500.23	548.14	47.91*
153 Transportation .....	1,800.00	1,800.00	.00
154 Laboratory .....	2,451.32	2,367.89	83.43
155 Miscellaneous .....	1,126.21	1,378.98	252.77*
<b>TOTAL GENERAL EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$ 13,087.70</b>	<b>\$ 13,515.26</b>	<b>\$ 427.56*</b>
201 Unfinished Construction ..	\$ 2,769.13	\$ 2,076.53	\$ 692.60
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENT .....</b>	<b>\$556,584.39</b>	<b>\$532,006.43</b>	<b>\$ 24,577.96</b>

#### Current Assets:

204-2 Construction Fund .....	\$ 3,596.93	\$ 2,152.90	\$ 1,444.03
204-3 Petty Cash Fund .....	250.00	250.00	.00
205-1 Depreciation Fund .....	.00	90.41	90.41*

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
205-2 Customers' Deposit Fund	7,518.81	7,587.89	69.08*
206 Notes Receivable .....	805.18	805.18	.00
207-1 Accounts Rec., Consumers	23,771.32	22,619.85	1,151.47
207-2 Accts. Rec., Miscellaneous	8,119.99	7,036.33	1,033.66
209-1 Materials and Supplies — General .....	29,768.78	30,820.15	1,051.37*
2 Station Tools & Applian's.	585.88	471.21	114.67
3 Distribution Tools & Ap- pliances .....	6,437.17	5,811.54	625.63
4 Print. and Office Supplies	622.12	839.51	217.39*
5 Lamps and Appliances ..	20,146.05	21,816.36	1,670.31*
5a Leased Appliances (De- preciated) .....	6,750.55	7,912.04	1,161.49*
6 Coal Supplies .....	20.88	637.38	616.50*
9 Station Supplies .....	350.64	411.04	60.40*
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS ....</b>	<b>\$108,744.30</b>	<b>\$109,311.79</b>	<b>\$ 567.49*</b>

#### Prepaid Items:

214 Prepaid Insurance .....	\$ 1,186.93	\$ 545.27	\$ 641.66
<b>GRAND TOTALS .....</b>	<b>\$666,515.62</b>	<b>\$641,863.49</b>	<b>\$ 24,652.13</b>

### LIABILITIES AND PROFIT AND LOSS

#### Bonds and Notes Payable:

305 Bonds Payable .....	\$ 49,500.00	\$ 59,500.00	\$ 10,000.00*
306 Notes Payable .....	38,000.00	20,000.00	18,000.00
<b>TOTAL BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE .....</b>	<b>\$ 87,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 79,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>			
308 Accounts Payable .....	\$ 44,952.97	\$ 37,246.89	\$ 7,706.08
309 Consumers' Deposits .....	7,518.81	7,587.89	69.08*
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TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 52,471.78	\$ 44,834.78	\$ 7,637.00
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<b>Accrued Items:</b>			
314 Interest Accrued on Bonds and Notes .....	\$ 480.01	\$ 561.88	\$ 81.87*
315 Other Accrued Items—Loan due Town Treasurer .....	250.00	250.00	.00
316 Premium on Bonds .....	131.29	.00	131.29
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TOTAL ACCRUED ITEMS ....	\$ 861.30	\$ 811.88	\$ 49.42
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<b>Appropriated Surplus:</b>			
322 Loans Repayment .....	\$366,400.00	\$354,400.00	\$ 12,000.00
323 Appropriation for Construc- tion Repayment .....	30,678.26	30,678.26	.00
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TOTAL APPROPRIATED SURP.	\$397,078.26	\$385,078.26	\$ 12,000.00
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<b>Profit and Loss:</b>			
400 Profit and Loss Balance (See Exhibit "C") .....	\$128,604.28	\$131,638.57	\$ 3,034.29*
NOTE:			
There was a contingent lia- bility as at December 31, 1935 for leases discounted amounting to \$13,292.42.			
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GRAND TOTALS .....	\$666,515.62	\$641,863.49	\$ 24,652.13

# EXHIBIT "B"

## TOWN OF READING—MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1935 AND 1934

	Revenue from Sales—Electric Energy:	1935	1934	Increase		Ratios	
				Decrease*		1935	1934
501	Metered Sales—Residence Lighting .....	\$174,839.84	\$166,793.32	\$ 8,046.52		62.5	62.9
	Metered Sales—Commercial Lighting .....	32,006.91	29,411.10	2,595.81		11.5	11.1
	Metered Sales—Commercial Heating .....	9,750.15	8,959.39	790.76		3.5	3.4
	Metered Sales—Wholesale Power .....	6,850.72	6,099.89	750.83		2.5	2.3
	Metered Sales—Retail Power .....	14,140.62	15,655.20	1,514.58*		5.1	5.9
	Sales to Other Companies .....	957.31	581.44	375.87		.3	.2
505	Street Lighting .....	31,812.27	28,268.94	3,543.33		11.4	10.7
	Municipal Buildings—Light and Power .....	8,843.45	8,966.04	122.59*		3.1	3.4
TOTAL REV. FROM SALES—ELEC. ENERGY		\$279,201.27	\$264,735.32	\$ 14,465.95		99.9	99.9
508	Rent from Property Used in Operations .....	334.20	373.25	39.05*		.1	.1
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE .....		\$279,535.47	\$265,108.57	\$ 14,426.90		100.0	100.0
<b>Electric Operating Expenses:</b>							
I	Production .....	\$ 93,856.11	\$ 86,120.77	\$ 7,735.34		33.6	32.5
II	Transmission and Distribution .....	60,823.41	58,861.11	1,962.30		21.8	22.2
III	Utilization .....	11,594.13	11,911.72	317.59*		4.1	4.5
IV	Commercial .....	14,362.43	14,441.16	78.73*		5.1	5.4
V	New Business .....	3,101.65	2,663.90	437.75		1.1	1.0

VI General and Miscellaneous .....	\$2,968.47	62,288.32	9,319.85*	19.0	23.5
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES .....	\$236,706.20	\$236,286.98	\$ 419.22	84.7	89.1
NET OPERATING REVENUE .....	\$ 42,829.27	\$ 28,821.59	\$ 14,007.68	15.3	10.9
<b>Deductions:</b>					
550 Uncollectible Operating Revenue .....	\$ 1,713.47	\$ 1,698.47	\$ 15.00		
551 Taxes Assignable to Electric Operations .....	3,384.50	3,161.00	223.50		
	\$ 5,097.97	\$ 4,859.47	\$ 238.50		
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS .....	\$ 37,731.30	\$ 23,962.12	\$ 13,769.18		
NET OPERATING INCOME .....					
<b>Non-Operating Income:</b>					
563 Interest Income .....	\$ 85.78	\$ 113.33	\$ 27.55*		
566 Miscellaneous Non-Operating Income .....	394.62	526.70	132.08*		
	\$ 480.40	\$ 640.03	\$ 159.63*		
TOTAL NON-OPERATING INCOME .....	\$ 38,211.70	\$ 24,602.15	\$ 13,609.55		
TOTAL INCOME .....					
<b>Deductions from Total Income:</b>					
560 Merchandise and Jobbing Loss .....	\$ 5,063.27	\$ 3,429.54	\$ 1,633.73		
561 Rent Electric Appliances .....	1,147.59	1,369.03	221.44*		
576 Interest on Bonds and Notes .....	2,858.13	2,906.05	47.92*		
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME .....	\$ 9,068.99	\$ 7,704.62	\$ 1,364.37		
NET INCOME TRANSFERRED TO PROFIT AND LOSS EXHIBIT "C"	\$ 29,142.71	\$ 16,897.53	\$ 12,245.18		

**EXHIBIT "C"**  
**TOWN OF READING—MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT**  
**COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PROFIT AND LOSS**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 1935 and 1934**

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
Balance—Beginning of Year .....	\$131,638.57	\$146,516.48	\$ 14,877.91*
<b>Additions:</b>			
Net Income—Transferred from Statement of Operations — Exhibit "B" .....	29,142.71	16,897.53	12,245.18
Transfer from Reserve for Federal Energy Tax .....	.00	543.97	543.97*
	<u>\$160,781.28</u>	<u>\$163,957.98</u>	<u>\$ 3,176.70*</u>
<b>Deductions:</b>			
Bonds and Notes Retired ....	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Repayment to Town Treasury	20,000.00	20,000.00	.00
Reduction in Value of Office Equipment—prior years ....	.00	2,319.41	2,319.41*
Allowances for Rentals paid in prior years on Purchase of Electric Ranges .....	177.00	.00	177.00
	<u>\$ 32,177.00</u>	<u>\$ 32,319.41</u>	<u>\$ 142.41*</u>
Balance—End of Year .....	\$128,604.28	\$131,638.57	\$ 3,034.29*
(See Exhibit "A")			
Net Decrease in Profit and Loss for Year .....	\$ 3,034.29	\$ 14,877.91	\$ 11,843.62*

**SCHEDULE "1"**  
**TOWN OF READING—MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT**  
**COMPARATIVE CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF INCOME**  
**For the Years Ended December 31, 1935 and 1934**

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
<b>Metered Sales—Residence Lighting:</b>			
Reading .....	\$101,929.52	\$ 97,130.80	\$ 4,798.72
Lynnfield ..	14,380.64	13,773.61	607.03



	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
North Reading .....	21,319.73	20,040.18	1,279.55
Wilmington .....	37,209.95	35,848.73	1,361.22
<b>Total Residence Lighting .</b>	<b>\$174,839.84</b>	<b>\$166,793.32</b>	<b>\$ 8,046.52</b>
<b>Metered Sales—Commercial Lighting:</b>			
Reading .....	\$ 21,436.23	\$ 19,996.85	\$ 1,439.38
Lynnfield .....	761.28	691.14	70.14
North Reading .....	4,438.09	4,086.71	351.38
Wilmington .....	5,371.31	4,636.40	734.91
<b>Total Commercial Lighting</b>	<b>\$ 32,006.91</b>	<b>\$ 29,411.10</b>	<b>\$ 2,595.81</b>
<b>Metered Sales—Commercial Heating:</b>			
Reading .....	\$ 6,373.48	\$ 5,787.82	\$ 585.66
Lynnfield .....	542.16	557.17	15.01*
North Reading .....	871.17	741.52	129.65
Wilmington .....	1,963.34	1,872.88	90.46
<b>Total Commercial Heating</b>	<b>\$ 9,750.15</b>	<b>\$ 8,959.69</b>	<b>\$ 790.76</b>
<b>Metered Sales—Wholesale Power:</b>			
Reading .....	\$ 5,204.95	\$ 4,495.90	\$ 709.05
Lynnfield .....	.00	.00	.00
North Reading .....	1,645.77	1,603.99	41.78
Wilmington .....	.00	.00	.00
<b>Total Wholesale Power ..</b>	<b>\$ 6,850.72</b>	<b>\$ 6,099.89</b>	<b>\$ 750.83</b>
<b>Metered Sales—Retail Power:</b>			
Reading .....	\$ 11,287.81	\$ 13,073.86	\$ 1,786.05*
Lynnfield .....	720.50	574.09	146.41
North Reading .....	490.77	541.19	50.42*
Wilmington .....	1,641.54	1,466.06	175.48
<b>Total Retail Power .....</b>	<b>\$ 14,140.62</b>	<b>\$ 15,655.20</b>	<b>\$ 1,514.58*</b>
<b>Sales to Other Electric Companies:</b>			
Wakefield .....	\$ 277.93	\$ 203.33	\$ 74.60
Lowell .....	42.83	45.87	3.04*
Lawrence .....	578.07	270.85	307.22

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
Peabody .....	9.00	9.00	.00
Edison Elec. Illum. Co. of Boston	49.48	52.39	2.91*
<b>Total Sales to Other Co's.</b>	<b>\$ 957.31</b>	<b>\$ 581.44</b>	<b>\$ 375.87</b>
<b>Municipal Revenue:</b>			
<b>Street Lighting:</b>			
Reading .....	\$ 17,321.00	\$ 13,831.00	\$ 3,490.00
Lynnfield .....	2,295.15	2,257.95	37.20
North Reading .....	4,494.61	4,473.40	21.21
Wilmington .....	7,701.51	7,706.59	5.08*
<b>Total Street Lighting Inc.</b>	<b>\$ 31,812.27</b>	<b>\$ 28,268.94</b>	<b>\$ 3,543.33</b>
<b>Buildings:</b>			
Lighting and Heat .....	\$ 2,520.02	\$ 2,732.83	\$ 212.81*
Power—Retail and Wholesale	6,323.43	6,233.21	90.22
<b>Total Inc.—Mun. Bldgs.</b>	<b>\$ 8,843.45</b>	<b>\$ 8,966.04</b>	<b>\$ 122.59*</b>
<b>Total Income from Sales—</b>			
<b>Electric Energy .....</b>	<b>\$279,201.27</b>	<b>\$264,735.32</b>	<b>\$ 14,465.95</b>
(See Exhibit "B")			

## SCHEDULE "2"

### TOWN OF READING—MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT COMPARATIVE CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES

For the Years Ended December 31, 1935 and 1934

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
<b>I Production Expenses:</b>			
607 Water for Steam .....	\$ 35.41	\$ 33.85	\$ 1.56
609 Station Supplies .....	981.48	731.39	250.09
611 Maint. of Sta. Structures ..	137.31	888.41	751.10*
612 Maint. of Boiler Plant Equipment .....	51.16	138.38	87.22*
614 Maint. of Turbo-Generator Units .....	11.50	.00	11.50

615	Maint. of Elec. Generator Equipment .....	.00	6.45	6.45*
616	Maint. of Accessory Elec. Equipment .....	11.90	49.65	37.76*
634	Elec. Energy Purchased ..	92,627.35	84,272.63	8,354.72

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<b>Total Production Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 93,856.11</b>	<b>\$ 86,120.77</b>	<b>\$ 7,735.34</b>
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## II—Transmission and Distribution Expenses:

636	Transformer Station and Substation Superintendence and Labor .....	\$ 9,370.64	\$ 9,374.07	\$ 3.43*
637	Transformer Station and Substation Supplies and Ex- pense .....	6,910.77	7,167.65	256.88*
638	Operation of Transmission and Distribution Lines ....	21,323.31	21,000.69	247.62
639	Transmission and Distribu- tion Supplies and Expense	812.90	256.72	556.13
640	Inspecting and Testing Me- ters .....	1,482.41	1,657.54	175.13*
641	Removing and Resetting Meters .....	2,445.59	2,787.58	341.99*
642	Removing and Resetting Transformers .....	352.39	313.63	38.76
647	Maint. of Transmission and Distribution Lines .....	17,240.24	15,318.39	1,921.85
648	Maint. of Underground Conduits .....	5.91	20.07	14.16*
649	Maint. of Underground Conductors .....	94.46	263.32	168.86*
650	Maintenance of Consumers' Meters .....	470.06	445.97	24.09
651	Maint. of Transformers ...	309.73	175.48	134.25

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<b>Total Transmission and Distribution Expenses ..</b>	<b>\$ 60,323.41</b>	<b>\$ 58,861.11</b>	<b>\$ 1,962.30</b>
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## III Utilization Expenses:

654	Operation of Municipal St. Lamps .....	\$ 3,648.16	\$ 4,155.66	\$ 507.50*
657	Maint. of Municipal Street Lamps .....	1,095.83	805.58	290.25

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
659 Maint. of Consumers' In- stallations .....	6,850.14	6,950.48	100.34*
<b>Total Utilization Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 11,594.13</b>	<b>\$ 11,911.72</b>	<b>\$ 317.59*</b>
<b>IV Commercial Expenses:</b>			
660 Commercial Salaries .....	\$ 10,635.75	\$ 10,699.65	\$ 63.90*
661 Commercial Supplies and Expenses .....	3,726.68	3,741.51	14.83*
<b>Total Commercial Exps. ..</b>	<b>\$ 14,362.43</b>	<b>\$ 14,441.16</b>	<b>\$ 78.73*</b>
<b>V New Business Expenses:</b>			
662 New Business Salaries....	\$ 130.92	\$ 135.95	\$ 5.03*
663 New Business Supplies and Expenses .....	69.99	91.97	21.98*
664 Advertising .....	2,900.74	2,435.98	464.76
<b>Total New Business Exps.</b>	<b>\$ 3,101.65</b>	<b>\$ 2,663.90</b>	<b>\$ 437.75</b>
<b>VI Miscellaneous and General Expenses:</b>			
666 Salary of Manager .....	\$ 5,267.60	\$ 5,267.60	.00
667 Salaries of Gen. Off. Clerks	6,077.35	6,337.87	260.52*
668 Gen. Off. Supplies and Exps.	2,082.12	2,296.04	213.92*
669 General Office Rents .....	1,009.27	1,232.49	223.22*
671 Insurance .....	2,043.37	2,491.39	448.02*
673 Accidents and Damages ..	22.92	66.08	43.16*
674 Stores Expense .....	3,254.78	3,162.68	92.10
675 Transportation Expense .	2,180.09	2,414.70	234.61*
676 Inventory Adjustments ....	1,556.80	1,984.67	427.87*
677 Maint. of Gen. Structures .	866.73	.78	865.95
678 Depreciation .....	27,986.65	36,219.05	8,232.40*
679 Misc. Gen. Expense .....	620.79	814.97	194.18*
<b>Total Miscellaneous and Gen. Expenses .....</b>	<b>52,968.47</b>	<b>\$ 62,288.32</b>	<b>\$ 9,319.85*</b>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$236,706.20</b>	<b>\$236,286.98</b>	<b>\$ 419.22</b>

# SCHEDULE "3"

## TOWN OF READING — MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT BONDS AND NOTES AUTHORIZED, ISSUED AND OUTSTANDING AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1935

### BONDS:

No. Of Issue Authorized	Date Issued	Amount Of Original Issue	Rate of		Interest Payable	Amount Retired to Jan. 1, 1935	Balance	
			Payments of Principal	Int.			Out- Standing Decem. '35 31, 1935 31, 1935	Accrued Interest Decem.
1	August 1894	10- 1-1894	1,000. 2,000.	10 Yrs. 20 Yrs.	4 %	April 1-October 1	\$ 50,000.00 \$ .00 \$ .00	\$ .00
2	May 1907	10- 1-1907	1,000.	26 Yrs.	4½	April 1-October 1	26,000.00 .00	.00
3	June 1911	7-15-1911	2,000.	10 Yrs.	4	January 15-July 15	20,000.00 .00	.00
4	August 1913	10-15-1913	1,500. 1,000.	9 Yrs. 10 Yrs.	4½	April 15-October 15	23,500.00 .00	.00
5	Sept. 1914	9-15-1914	500.	16 Yrs.	4½	March 15-Sept. 15	8,000.00 .00	.00
6	March 1916	5-15-1916	500.	20 Yrs.	4	November 15-May 15	9,000.00 500.00	2.50
7	March 1917	10- 1-1917	3,000. 1,000.	18 Yrs. 1 Yr.	4½	April 1-October 1	51,000.00 3,000.00	11.25
8	October 1918	1- 1-1919	12,000.00	4 Yrs.	4½	January 1-July 1	9,500.00 500.00	45.00
9	March 1919	4- 1-1919	20,000.00	20 Yrs.	4¾	October 1-April 1	15,000.00 1,000.00	47.50
10	March 1920	5- 1-1920	20,000.00	20 Yrs.	5	November 1, May 1	14,000.00 1,000.00	41.67
11	Dec. 1923	12- 1-1923	10,000.00	10 Yrs.	4½	June 1-December 1	10,000.00 .00	.00
12	March 1926	8- 1-1926	13,000.00	3,000. 2,000.	1 Yr. 5 Yrs.	February 1-August 1	13,000.00 .00	.00
13	March 1930	6- 1-1930	15,000.00	2,000. 1,000.	5 Yrs. 5 Yrs.	June 1-December 1	8,000.00 2,000.00	16.67
14	March 1931	4-15-1931	40,000.00	2,000.	3½	October 15-April 15	6,000.00 2,000.00	233.34
Total Bonds		\$322,500.00				\$263,000.00 \$10,000.00 \$49,500.00	\$ 397.93	

# **SCHEDULE "3" Continued**

No. Of Date Issue Authorized	Date Issued	Amount Of Original Issue	Payments of Principal Int.	Rate of Interest	Interest Payable	Balance		
						Amount Retired to Jan. 1, 1935	Amount Standing Retired Decem. During '35 31, 1935	Out- Interest Decem. 31, 1935
NOTES:								
1	March 1895	5- 1-1896	\$ 7,000.00	\$1,400. yearly	5 Yrs. 4 %	November 1-May 1	\$ 7,000.00	\$ .00
2	March 1896	5 -1-1896	7,000.00	1,400. yearly	5 Yrs. 4	November 1-May 1	7,000.00	.00
3	Dec. 1896	12- 9-1896	1,500.00	1,500. yearly	1 Yr. 4	June 9-December 9	1,500.00	.00
4	March 1898	7-15-1898	3,000.00	1,000. July 15, 1901	3¾	January 15-July 15	3,000.00	.00
			2,000. July 15, 1904					
5	March 1903	12- 7-1903	1,400.00	1,400. December 7, 1906	4	June 7-December 7	1,400.00	.00
6	March 1909	11-15-1909	2,500.00	1,000. Nov. 15, 1910	4	May 15-November 15	2,500.00	.00
			1,500. Nov. 15, 1911					
7	Nov. 1909	1-21-1910	1,800.00	1,800. January 3, 1913	4	July 21-January 21	1,800.00	.00
8	January 1910	3-27-1910	12,000.00	1,000. yearly	12 Yrs. 4	Sept. 27-March 27	12,000.00	.00
9	June 1911	7- 2-1911	2,200.00	2,200. July 12, 1912	4	January 12-July 12	2,200.00	.00
10	March 1913	4-16-1913	13,500.00	1,500. Yearly	9 Yrs. 4¼	October 16-April 16	13,500.00	.00
11	March 1915	5-15-1915	12,000.00	800. Yearly	15 Yrs. 4	November 15-May 15	12,000.00	.00
12	March 1915	7-15-1915	4,000.00	500. Yearly	8 Yrs. 4	January 15-July 15	4,000.00	.00
13	March 1917	9-22-1917	6,500.00	500. Yearly	13 Yrs. 5	March 22-Sept. 22	6,500.00	.00
14	Nov. 1919	11-20-1919	3,000.00	1,500. Yearly	2 Yrs. 5	May 20-November 20	3,000.00	.00
15	March 1921	7- 1-1921	7,000.00	1,000. Yearly	7 Yrs. 6	January 1-July 1	7,000.00	.00
16	Dec. 1922	12-15-1922	7,000.00	1,900. Yearly	7 Yrs. 4½	June 15-December 15	7,000.00	.00
17	March 1934	5-15-1934	20,000.00	2,000. Yearly	10 Yrs. 3	May 15-November 15	.00	67.50
18	March 1935	6-15-1935	20,000.00	2,000. Yearly	10 Yrs. 1¾	June 15-December 15	.00	14.58
Total Notes							\$91,400.00	\$ 82.08
Total Bonds and Notes							\$2,000.00	\$ 480.01
							\$12,000.00	\$ 480.01
							\$87,500.00	\$ 480.01



**SCHEDULE "4"**  
**TOWN OF READING**  
**MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF MERCHANDISE**  
**OPERATIONS**

**For the Years Ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.**

	1935	1934
GROSS SALES .....	\$ 39,694.64	\$ 30,252.10
Less—Returned Sales .	1,817.74	1,451.24
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NET SALES .....	\$ 37,876.90	\$ 28,800.86
COST OF SALES ....	25,926.79	20,173.05
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GROSS PROFIT ON SALES .....	\$ 11,950.11	\$ 8,627.81
EXPENSES:		
Salaries and Wages \$	7,053.34	\$ 6,098.63
Commissions .....	2,021.21	1,760.43
Free wiring on In- stallations .....	3,743.07	1,507.07
Rent .....	1,009.27	1,232.49
Disc. on Loans ....	2,787.32	1,206.83
Heating (one-half)	165.79	179.70
Automobile Exps. .	136.50	238.44
Express .....	14.35	14.13
Store Expense ....	58.57	61.85
Misc. Expense ....	4.87	17.05
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TOTAL EX- PENSES ...	\$ 16,994.29	\$ 12,316.62
NET LOSS FROM MER- CHANDISE OPERATIONS	\$ 5,044.18	\$ 3,688.81
NET GAIN OR LOSS* FROM JOBGING OP- ERATIONS ..	19.09*	259.27
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NET LOSS FROM MER- CHANDISE AND JOBGING	\$ 5,063.27	\$ 3,429.54

**SCHEDULE "5"**  
**TOWN OF READING**  
**MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT**  
**COMPARATIVE DETAIL OF KILOWATT HOURS**  
**PURCHASED, SOLD AND USED**

For the Years Ended December 31, 1935 and 1934.

	1935	1934	Increase Decrease*
<b>Kilowatt Hours:</b>			
Generated .....	00	00	00
Purchased .....	7,973,642	7,516,389	457,253
Total .....	7,973,642	7,516,389	457,253
<b>Kilowatt Hours Sold:</b>			
Residence Service .....	3,946,502	3,741,318	205,184
Commercial Lighting .....	620,885	565,299	55,586
Commercial Miscellaneous ...	353,980	324,730	29,250
Commercial Power—Retail ..	466,340	561,537	95,197*
Commercial Power—Wholesale	354,780	314,070	40,710
Municipal Lighting .....	85,223	94,161	8,938*
Municipal Miscellaneous .....	6,690	9,760	3,070*
Municipal Power—Retail ....	1,776	1,682	94
Municipal Power—Wholesale	337,700	331,100	6,600
Co-operative Re-sale Service	30,261	18,403	11,858
Street Lighting .....	652,257	560,137	92,120
<b>TOTAL KILOWATT HOURS</b>			
SOLD .....	6,856,394	6,522,197	334,197
Kilowatt Hours Used at Sta- tion, Office and Garage and Miscellaneous .....	63,442	60,995	2,447
Kilowatt Hours used for Christmas Illumination ..	6,909	8,234	1,325*
Kilowatt Hours Unaccounted for .....	1,046,897	924,963	121,934
<b>TOTAL .. .</b>	<b>7,973,642</b>	<b>7,516,389</b>	<b>457,253</b>
Per Cent Unaccounted for ..	13.17%	12.31%	

## REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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To the citizens of Reading:

In a large measure Reading has created its own unemployment and imposed its own relief burden.

Two or three years ago the budgets of the town departments were cut rigorously. The Board of Public Works, School Department, and to a lesser degree, other departments had to fire town employees. The paid personnel of these departments could no longer perform services therefore rendered. At the same time the men who were let out by the town departments, or their numerical equivalent, had to apply to the town for aid. The town had created the unemployment. It had to furnish the aid.

The Welfare Department of necessity assisted these people (they may not in every case be the identical individuals, but the unemployment created amounts to the same thing). It gave them food, clothing and perhaps helped on their rent or medical expenses. In return for the aid the persons who received it were sent to the Board of Public Works or the School Department, and so forth, and did the work for which the town had previously hired men. Here was an anomalous situation. The town took relief labor and used it to throw its own citizens out of work. Last year the Welfare Department furnished other departments with sixty thousand man hours of labor in return for food and clothing and fuel costing approximately \$18,000. In addition to that about \$5,800 in relief was afforded to persons who did not work for other departments, but performed relief functions such as cutting wood. Stated in another way the various boards in town used relief labor equivalent to hiring twenty-seven men every day for a year. The work which they have done has been intermittent, incapable of proper supervision. It has been impossible always to assign men to the tasks for which they are best suited. The workers have not been as efficiently or economically employed as the same men could be if they were working on a regular assigned job. The work which these men did was not "made work". It has been regular everyday maintenance work such as highway repairs or mowing the lawn at the Junior High School. The Town needed these things done, had to have them done, but it made no direct appropriation for them. The men had to eat and maintain their families. The town had to help them and required that they work out their time. The work which they did was in no sense a job. These men were at all times relief dependents working on a subsistence basis and not for a weekly wage. The whole set up has the aspect of peonage.

The Board of Welfare, therefore, has suggested to the other town boards that their budgets be raised by an amount sufficient to absorb the labor which they need and, if the Board of Welfare can be assured that persons receiving relief can do the work for the other boards on the basis of regular employment, the Welfare Board will reduce its budget by an amount equivalent to the relief load thus taken off the Welfare Department. Every board which has been approached on this subject has shown a spirit of hearty co-operation and entire sympathy with the view above stated. Apparently there are no major differences of opinion among the town officials as to the advisability of this policy. If the town adopts it, it is debatable as to whether or not it will add a small amount in dollars and cents to the town expenses—perhaps it will. Relief is given on a subsistence basis. Wages are paid on the basis of a decent living. This Board can think of no way in which the town can justify compelling a part of its citizens to work for bare subsistence while another part of its citizens working shoulder to shoulder with them are paid a decent weekly wage.

One matter which should be noted here is the fact that at the time of writing, 101 cases handled by the department are those who are not employable. A large number of them are aged, some of them are mothers with small children, others are crippled or infirm. The expense for these continues without reference to any question of employability. There is certain to be a marked increase in the Old Age Assistance when the Legislature reduces the age of eligibility, as it undoubtedly will, from seventy to sixty-five.

During the past year with federal assistance the Department of Welfare has sponsored a garden and canning project. We have put up about forty thousand cans of vegetables at a cost per can running from one-half to two-thirds of the cost on the open market. These vegetables have been and are being given to those who are eligible to receive them. The Board is making its plans so that if the federal government does not provide for continuance of these projects they may be continued under the direct supervision of the Board. This policy will result in material saving to the town.

Last May the town stopped giving cash relief and instead furnished welfare recipients with the necessities of life. Among social workers this policy is questioned, but the Board, after a careful study of a large number of cases, was actuated by the fact that it could, by this method, be better assured that relief families would receive the things which they need and on a more economical basis. Grocery orders which have been issued have been based upon careful study of nutritionists to assure each family the elements of a balanced diet.

During the coming year increased emphasis on the nutrition factor has been planned. As one element of administrative cost, the Board has mapped out a program of expert nutritional guidance. It is not expected that this will amount to more than about \$350 per year and the returns ought to be much greater than such a nominal expenditure would suggest.

This report has departed somewhat from the tradition of a statistical abstract in order to afford the town some high lights of welfare policy. The report of the Superintendent will embody a great amount of extremely valuable statistical information which should be studied by every interested citizen.

The Board desires to express its appreciation to fellow townsmen for the many expressions of sympathetic understanding of the relief problems of the town. It has worked harmoniously with organizations representing the various churches, the schools, and private relief bodies. The working personnel of the department is earnest, intelligent and industrious. It has received many and frequent instances of commendation from state officials and departments which have had occasion to know about the relief work done in Reading.

The Board was organized last March as follows: Myrtle L. Leman, Chairman; Orville S. Poland, Secretary, and Harriet L. Rooney. The working personnel during 1935 has been as follows: Superintendent of Public Welfare, Edward E. Harnden; Assistant Superintendent of Public Welfare, Sterling W. Powell; Visitors, Helen A. Brown and Mary F. Daniel; Office Secretary, Gladys M. Lane; Visitor for Old Age Assistance, Annie E. Patrick.

Respectfully submitted,  
MYRTLE L. LEMAN, Chairman  
ORVILLE S. POLAND, Secretary  
HARRIETT L. ROONEY

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## REPORT OF WELFARE SUPERINTENDENT

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To the Board of Public Welfare:

I submit the following report for the year 1935.

The total number of cases handled by the Welfare Department during the year was 426, representing 1431 persons, the classification being as follows:

### Dependent Aid

Family Cases 239	Persons represented 1198
Single Cases, 92	Persons represented 92

### Mother's Aid

Number of Cases, 12	Persons represented 58
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### Old Age Assistance

Number of Cases, 83

Representing one person each

The classification of expenditures under the various divisions above is made up in statistical form in the Welfare Department from its office records, the complete tabulation then being furnished to the Town Accountant so that it may appear as a part of his report.

The bills against other cities and towns and the Commonwealth are issued from the Welfare Department, but the receipts resulting therefrom go directly into the town treasury. Such receipts also appear in the report of the Town Accountant. In the report of expenditures for Dependent Aid the tabulation is shown under the two subdivisions of "Aid, Board and Care" and "Temporary Aid".

The average amount of aid rendered per person under Dependent Aid for the year is \$57.05. This low average figure means, of course, that there are many instances where assistance is required for a short time only, to tide over some emergency. There are also many cases where the family income is far below a subsistence level and and supplementary assistance from this department is necessary. These partial assistances require the same investigation, case history record, settlement determination, and other data required by law, as do those cases which are fully supported from welfare funds, but when this necessary administrative work is once thoroughly done the subsequent cost of such cases is, of course, materially less than that of long continued wholly dependent cases. Our records show 226 Dependent Aid cases, representing 884 persons, as active at the end of the year 1935.

The plight of the unemployed single person, with no friends or relatives able to assist and without resources of any kind, has been brought forcibly to our attention many times during the past year.

The single person, particularly the single man, invariably has more pressure put upon him to maintain himself, both by investigation and through personal attention of the welfare board itself, than does the family man whose wife and children are obviously in distress. The fact remains, however, that the single person can become just as destitute as anyone else, and when he does arrive at that stage to withhold relief would be inhuman. It might well be socially expensive also. Towards the last of the year the W. P. A. was able to give consideration to certain single cases and thus take them off the welfare list.

All men receiving dependent aid who are able to work are required to perform some service in return for aid given. The Board endeavors to assign these men to the different town boards, having in mind the adaptability of the men for the work the departments



may have to do. Work cards are issued from the welfare office designating the town department to which the man has been assigned and showing the number of days to be worked in return for aid given.

The following table indicates how this labor is distributed among the departments. It should be borne in mind that some departments are better able to utilize broken-time labor than other departments where supervision becomes a greater factor in the problem.

Town Department	Man-hours	Val. of Aid Given
Public Works .....	47,609	\$ 14,282.70
Wood Yard (Welfare) .....	19,552	5,865.60
School Dept., grounds and buildings ..	6,708	2,012.40
Cemetery .....	1,284	385.20
Town Forest .....	2,988	896.40
Fire Dept., hydrant sprinklers .....	946	283.80
Police Station, cleaning .....	104	31.20
Town Building, grounds .....	164	49.20
Traffic Count (state survey) .....	192	57.60
Watchman at Playgrounds .....	40	12.00
Repairing shelves, E.R.A. sew'g project	8	2.40
	<hr/> 79,595	<hr/> \$23,878.50

The observation of certain sporadic instances has occasionally brought out disparaging comment on the value of "welfare labor". Our view on this matter, based on first-hand information, is that in the great majority of cases this work is worth at least the aid given in return for it. There is a factor of inefficiency about it, however, particularly when it concerns departments which can use large labor units. Due to unavoidable changes in the working hours of E. R. A., W. P. A., or other assisting agencies, weather conditions, and other uncontrollable elements of the system, a department foreman cannot be sure on just what days welfare help will be available or in what numbers the men will report to him for work. Under this disadvantage the labor cannot approach the planned value of men working full time throughout the week, regardless of the "rate per hour".

The number of employable welfare recipients who have been able to secure jobs during the year has not been encouraging, but it is noticeable that when a decent man does secure work of a permanent character he usually makes good and keeps his job. The fact must be faced that there are always men who never could or would make any great effort to keep themselves employed. Welfare has made such men neither better nor worse than they were in normal times.

The Federal W. P. A. program seems to offer a better guarantee of steady income for its workers than previous forms of government work relief. A regularly monthly income, even though not entirely sufficient for the subsistence of a large family, gives a solid basis on which to start when the giving of welfare supplementary aid has to be considered. Its value cannot be too strongly emphasized, particularly as regards morale. It is less expensive to grant a small amount of supplementary relief to a family each week than to meet frequent emergencies when the income is entirely shut off. We are hopeful that this element of stability will count in our favor during the coming year.

Just before Christmas an acute food shortage developed in the families of workers on W. P. A. due to an extended delay in the arrival of W. P. A. pay checks. Conditions became so serious that the welfare department had to step in and provide food and meat orders to the extent of six hundred dollars to prevent actual suffering.

#### **Mother's Aid**

Of the twelve Mother's Aid cases handled during the year one was closed in June because developments at that time indicated sufficient resources within the family for its maintenance. There are now eleven active cases.

The branch of public welfare which includes aid to mothers with dependent children shows a steady increase throughout the state, due to various slow-working economic factors which tend to bring the mother to a point where she must be assisted if she is to bring up her family without detriment to future citizenship. The Mother's Aid division as a whole, however, is not subject to the numerous ups and downs which occur in the much larger item of general relief, more especially the effects of temporary unemployment and of seasonal requirements, particularly medical attention and fuel.

Assistance to the mother is given only after a thorough investigation having special bearing on this type of case. The usual form of aid is cash so far as practically may be, so that the children may observe that the mother is managing the family affairs herself. In nearly every instance this cultivates a tendency in the children to encourage and help in household management. The value of the dollar is appreciated at an early age and the idea of self-support is accepted as a matter of course.

This works out noticeably under observation. It is a hopeful form of aid.

At the present time Mother's Aid represents some eight or nine per cent of the expense of the total assistance given through the department of public welfare.

### **Old Age Assistance**

There has been a very substantial expansion in Old Age Assistance during the year. New state rulings, which reduced the Massachusetts residence requirements by more than half and at the same time increased the allowable equity in property by a third, have resulted in a steady increase in Old Age cases so that we have about 50 per cent more persons on our list than we had a year ago. A recess commission of the Massachusetts Legislature has just completed an exhaustive study of the entire relief situation and is about to report with a recommendation of enlarging legislation.

We are assured by the State Bureau of Old Age Assistance that the age limit will be reduced from 70 to 65 years. It is also probable that a minimum monthly allowance will be included in the law, this minimum being materially above the average allowance now in effect in the various cities and towns throughout the state. A careful survey taken in Reading indicates that Old Age cases will show an increase of more than 100 per cent on the basis of an age limit of 65 years. Further legislation along the lines of recent Federal action will no doubt be enacted in Massachusetts this year and will widen the scope of assistance to aged persons still more.

While municipal appropriation is necessary to take care of this expansion there is every indication that reimbursement to the cities and towns may be more generous. The federal portion of such reimbursement may possibly be received in advance, based on estimates furnished by each town to show its requirements. This would not lessen the appropriation to be voted, but it would ease up on the tax rate to the extent that it could be reckoned as money coming into the general receipts of the town. Under present laws the Commonwealth reimburses one-third for cases having a legal settlement in Massachusetts, and in full for those cases which have no legal settlement.

It will be recalled that it was not until 1930 that any specific legislation was enacted in Massachusetts providing for Old Age Assistance. At that time Chapter 118A was placed on the books so that provisions could be made for "Adequate Assistance to Certain Aged Persons" and the first payments were made in Reading under this statute in June, of 1931. Until other revenue could be provided, all poll taxes were increased one dollar, this money going to the state so that it could reimburse its one-third to the cities and towns on account of payments to Old Age Assistance recipients.

The statute empowered the State Department of Public Welfare to make such rules and regulations as it deemed necessary for the administration of the assistance to the aged. Such changes in these rulings as have been made, as noted in a previous paragraph, have

already operated to broaden the scope of the act to a measurable degree. Present contemplation of this entire phase of assuring security for citizens of advanced years brings forward the proposition of vastly increased revenues for the purpose, from taxes on liquor, tobacco, race-tracks, and other sources, as well as substantial contributions from the federal government. Revenue thus provided, the whole field of what we now know as Old Age Assistance will immediately broaden. Certain requirements which now bar many applicants are already in process of removal and there is unquestionably a strong trend toward increasing the amount of assistance allowed each individual eligible to receive this form of aid. It is a reasonable presumption that Old Age Assistance, in some form or other, may very soon become the major part of public welfare.

### **Administrative**

In considering the burden which falls on the administrative force of public welfare in Reading it should be kept in mind that we have no town infirmary. Many cities and towns in the state maintain infirmaries and their operation is reported as a separate account, entirely apart from administrative expense. Further in Reading, the itemized accounting of all welfare transactions is taken care of in the welfare office. This work includes the preparation of detailed vouchers each week, the posting of the thousands of items to the accounts of each recipient, the making up of all bills to other municipalities for aid rendered by this department on their account, and the maintenance of intricate and voluminous records made necessary by the continuous demand for specialized reports made by the major branches of government relief, such as E. R. A. and W. P. A., these reports having particular bearing on unemployment relief.

At the present writing the regular monthly report to the regional office of the W. P. A. asks accurate information covering 241 items under five tabulations with their subdivisions. Two supplementary reports accompany this main project, giving data on 94 additional items.

In many cities and towns the financial accounting and general bookkeeping incident to welfare operation is handled in the office of the city auditor or town accountant, which means that in such towns this clerical expense appears as an accounting item and not as a welfare cost.

The administrative detail has been considerably greater in 1935 than in any previous year, but has been cared for adequately because the office personnel has remained intact and has worked industriously and with intelligence. The personal attention of the members of

the Welfare Board to many individual problems requiring tact and special treatment has been of great assistance. The unpaid welfare boards of many towns outside of Reading are unwilling to give the immense amount of time and effort which our local board has cheerfully offered through its high degree of interest in the general welfare of the town.

Co-operation with other town departments and with the various state and federal divisions of relief has been excellent. We feel that we have made an honest and consistent effort to bring about the best results possible under existing economic conditions and we are sure that this effort on our part has been appreciated to Reading's advantages by the outside relief agencies with which our town is in constant contact.

In the first part of December the welfare offices were moved from the Municipal Building, where they were quartered in the basement, to the Town Farm Building on Pearl St. This building had been completely renovated under an E. R. A. project and as many activities having a direct connection with public welfare, such as the canning, garden, and sewing projects, as well as the welfare wood yard, were in operation at this location, many advantages were apparent through the direct welfare office contact thus brought about. The office of the Sponsor's Agent, who acts as co-ordinating officer between the town and the various federal projects, is also situated in this building. The relations between the sponsor's office and the welfare department must be maintained at close range to be most effective and our new location has been a decided betterment in this respect.

It must be remembered that the entire matter of relief, which is a major cause of concern throughout the nation, is in a constant state of flux. As comprehensive changes in the different branches develop and become solidified into general policies, it will become necessary for administrative methods and setups to alter themselves in conformity. Such changes, made with judgment and after due consideration, indicate progress toward the solution of the present uncomfortable and dangerous complexity affecting the general welfare.

Remember that a few years ago the average citizen never gave a single thought to public relief. The time has now certainly come when every man and woman must give it close and helpful attention.

EDWARD E. HARNDEN, Welfare Supt.

## REPORT OF READING SAFETY COUNCIL

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Feb. 10, 1936.

Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Mass.

The Reading Safety Council herewith submits its report:

The first meeting of the Council was held June 12, 1935. At this meeting it was voted to recommend to the Selectmen the placing of stop signs at the intersection of all streets where they led to and from Reading Square.

It was further voted to recommend the designation of one place for all buses to stop with particular reference to the stop made by the bus from Lawrence at the island. It was felt that this stop was a definite danger spot.

Another recommendation made at this meeting was to place speed limiting signs along North and South Main St., with the end in view of slowing down traffic gradually before entering the square. Definite locations were suggested for the erection of specific speed limiting signs.

The Council also voted to use the local press in publishing a series of safety releases. These took the form of a series of pictures depicting dangerous practices and various safety stories which were published from time to time.

At a subsequent meeting the matter of making a recommendation regarding the proposed by-pass around Reading was discussed. Since a majority of the board was not present it was felt that no action should be taken. Later when individual members of the board were contacted the concensus of opinion was that the matter did not come within the province of the Safety Council and no further action was taken in that regard.

When the fatal accident occurred at the Willow Street crossing the chairman of the Safety Council did not call a meeting of the board as he felt that the Selectmen were capably handling the situation in conjunction with the railroad safety engineers.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS H. BURBANK, Chairman  
Reading Safety Council



## REPORT OF PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

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Reading Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:—

The objective of the Promotion and Publicity Campaign for the Town of Reading, instituted by your Board, through this committee, was and is to develop an interest in the town among those people who would make desirable residents of the town and who may be contemplating the purchase or construction of a home.

If such a campaign is successful it would mean that the total valuation of the town would be increased to the point where the income received would be sufficient to continue the many fine services at present rendered, and beyond that, if possible, to lower our tax rate. In addition the natural effect will be to increase the gross business of all our business institutions as well.

Your Committee has developed a rather comprehensive Promotion Program, which at the present time is partially completed. This program to date has met with the approval of all far-sighted people and will, no doubt, be carried through to completion.

The plan as developed centered around the creation and distribution of a promotional Town of Reading booklet. The production of a very creditable booklet has been accomplished and a start has been made upon the distribution, although to date, this part of the program is in the early stage.

In the development of this booklet your Committee has been fortunate in obtaining the co-operation of talented individuals who have given their services in various ways. Since no money was available to produce the booklet, an appeal was made to the various civic organizations of Reading which gave your Committee the most courteous consideration and underwrote the cost of the first, and necessarily the most expensive, edition of the booklet.

To the following, therefore, the committee is indeed grateful:

### Sponsoring Organizations:

American Legion, Reading Post No. 62.  
Knights of Columbus, Reading Council No. 1031.  
Mishawum Associates.  
Neighborhood Betterment Association.  
Northern Residents Association.

Reading Board of Trade.  
Reading Rotary Club.  
Security Lodge, No. 208, I. O. O. F.

Idea, Plan, Layout and Copy

Albert N. Leman.  
Logan R. Dickie.

Cover and Half Tone Pencil Sketches.

H. Boylston Dummer, Mill Lane, Rockport, Mass.

Thumb-nail Line Sketches

Charlotte C. Ware, 25 Valley Road, Medford, Mass.

Lettering

Gordon Smith, 6 Sentry Hill Place, Boston, Mass.

Art Advisors

Louis Babine of Reading.  
F. L. King of Boston.

Printing

The Reading Chronicle Press, Inc.

Statistical Information

Reading W. P. A. Historical Survey No. 4159.

The first edition of the Booklet has been printed and distributed to the underwriting organizations and to your Board. We feel that these organizations, and contributors, as well as the townspeople, should be proud of the Booklet in its completed form.

Through the proper distribution of the subsequent editions of this Booklet the potentialities for good, sound development of the Town are great, but for the hoped-for results, it is necessary that all of our townspeople co-operate in seeing that the booklet is properly distributed which ultimately will react to the benefit of the taxpayers as well as the merchants.

Your Committee wishes to express its appreciation to your Board for the loyal co-operation given to us, to the underwriting associations for their splendid community spirit, the Reading Chronicle and to the artists for the exceptionally fine craftsmanship so freely given.

We firmly believe that the intelligent pursuance of the plan as outlined and adopted will in the long run be of great benefit to the Town and in the distribution of this booklet we bespeak for the same co-operation which we already have received in its creation.

Respectfully submitted,

LOGAN R. DICKIE  
H. RAYMOND JOHNSON  
W. F. TWOMBLY

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### INSPECTOR OF MILK AND FOOD

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To the Honorable Board of Health,  
Town of Reading,  
Gentlemen:

As you know my duties as Inspector of Milk and Food have consisted of the inspection of the local milk supply and the conditions under which it is produced and handled, also in the inspection of the sanitary conditions in the local stores, restaurants, bakeries and road-side stands where food is handled and stored.

All of the dairies producing and handling milk have been inspected this year and granted licenses, the conditions in the same having been found very satisfactory.

The stores, restaurants, bakeries and road-side stands handling food and food supplies have all been inspected and with a very few exceptions the conditions have been found satisfactory. Where conditions were unsatisfactory they have been remedied.

Four complaints were investigated and satisfactorily adjusted.

Yours very truly,

CARL M. SMITH,  
Inspector of Milk and Food.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of the Town of Reading:

This Board organized on March 5, 1935, by electing Edgar Frost Chairman, Arthur S. Cook, Secretary, George E. Horrocks being the third member of the Board. Christine F. Atkinson and Helen W. Brown were retained as office assistants. Gladys R. Dickinson and Ruth T. Van Horn were appointed assistant assessors.

Due to the change of the taxing date from April 1 to January 1 effective January 1, 1935, the Board began the Field Work on January 2, 1935, and the work continued until completion.

There was no appreciable building development during the past year and the real estate market continued to remain in a rather dormant state.

The Finance Committee estimated the 1935 Tax Rate would be \$34.00 per M. Cwing to the passage of the Municipal Relief Loan Act of 1935, Chapter 188—Section 1 approved April 17, 1935, at a Special Town Meeting held in Security Hall, May 1, 1935, it was voted to borrow \$33,000 for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised, thereby establishing a tax rate for 1935 of \$32.00 per M.

A number of requests for partial abatement of taxes on real estate were received by this Board and same have, in every instance, received careful and just consideration, properties inspected and decisions rendered promptly and in accordance with our best judgment.

New maps covering much of the property of the Town have been acquired which will greatly facilitate the work of this office as the original maps have become badly worn through the extra handling consequent upon the many Government projects in Reading which required the loaning of them.

Another change in the date of filing requests for abatements has been made and all requests of this nature must be received on or before October 1, 1936, to receive consideration.

The assistant assessors will be required in 1936 when compiling the Street List to obtain the nationality of all aliens and this data will appear in the list.

The Board meets on Friday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 for the purpose of transacting business and convenience of citizens desiring to confer with the Board.

The summary of activities for the year of 1935 is as under:

### VALUATION OF TAXABLE PROPERTY

Buildings, exclusive of land ....	\$11,921,450.00
Land, exclusive of buildings ....	3,604,395.00
Personal Estate .....	1,062,715.00
Total .....	<hr/> \$16,588,560.00

Amount appropriated for Town	
Purposes .....	\$662,193.29
Overlay Deficit 1932 .....	541.71
Old Age Assistance Abatement ..	201.00
Amount to be paid for State and	
County .....	53,177.17
Overlay .....	8,842.81
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	\$724,955.98

Less Estimated Receipts .....	\$ 130,318.00	
Less Excise Tax .....	14,682.00	
Less 3,245 polls @ \$2.00 .....	6,490.00	
Less Municipal Loans, Acts of		
1935 .....	33,000.00	
Less Available Funds .....	9,632.11	\$194,122.11
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Amount to be raised ..... \$ 530,833.87

Tax rate for 1935 (Amount to be raised divided by Total Taxable  
Valuation)—\$32.00 per M.

#### Recapitulation

Real Estate Tax .....	\$ 496,827.04
Personal Estate Tax .....	34,006.83
Poll Tax .....	6,490.00
Excise Tax .....	15,794.90
Moth Assessment .....	579.00
Betterments:	
Sewer .....	922.33
Sidewalk .....	738.92
Curbing .....	77.05
Highway .....	2,778.94
Water .....	657.71
Additional Poll Tax .....	14.00
December commitment for 1935 .....	36.80
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	\$ 558,923.52

#### Detail of State and County Taxes

State Tax .....	\$ 23,085.00
State Parks and Reservation Tax .....	135.00

State Hospital Home Care Tax .....	14.00
Municipal Lighting Tax .....	50.00
Metropolitan Sewerage Tax .....	6,735.00
County Tax .....	23,158.17

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Total State and County Tax for 1935 ..... \$ 53,177.17

### Valuation Comparisons

	1934	1935	Inc.	Dec.
Val. of Bldgs. only .....	\$11,926,215.00	\$11,921,450.00		\$ 4,765
Val. of Land only .....	3,637,015.00	3,604,395.00		32,620
Val. of Personal Estate ...	1,042,978.00	1,062,715.00	\$19,737	
Val. of Town Prop.....	1,434,695.00	1,444,270.00	9,575	
Val. of Exempted Prop. ..	533,110.00	533,415.00	305	
Tot. Val. of Excise Tax ..	590,840.00	588,020.00		2,820
Dec. Commitment .....		1,150.00		

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Total. Town Val. .... \$19,164,853.00 \$19,155,415.00 \$29,617 \$40,205

Net Decrease in Valuation ..... \$ 9,438

### Miscellaneous Data

	1934	1935	Inc.	Dec.
Num. of persons, partnerships and corporations assessed Jan.				
1, 1935 .....	3,379	2,618		761
Num. of Automobiles assessed	3,113	3,090		23
Number of Polls .....	3,226	3,252	26	
Num. of Horses .....	41	40		1
Num. of Cows .....	113	128	15	
Num. of Neat Cattle .....	12	23	11	
Number of Swine .....	62	81	19	
Num. of Dwelling Houses ....	2,551	2,562	11	
Num. of Acres of Land .....	5770	5770		
Num. of Fowl .....	14,313	14,099		214
Population of 1935 Census ....	10,703			
Total Valuation per Capita ...	1,550.0056			



## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

### Taxes 1929—1930

Transferred from Tax Title Account .....	\$ 677.60	
Abated .....		\$ 677.60
	\$ 677.60	\$ 677.60

### Taxes 1931

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$ 169.53	
Interest Collected .....	9.41	
Transferred from Tax Title Account .....	356.40	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 109.41
Abated .....		356.40
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....		69.53
	\$ 535.34	\$ 535.34

### Taxes and Assessments, 1932

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$ 462.46	
Interest Collected .....	188.67	
Transferred from Tax Title Account .....	1,416.80	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 1,848.13
Abated .....		219.80
	\$ 2,067.93	\$ 2,067.93

### Taxes and Assessments, 1933

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$ 25,919.89	
Recommitted .....	6.00	
Interest Collected .....	2,123.53	
Transferred from Tax Title Account .....	1,197.00	
Refund Account Taxes .....	71.25	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 22,252.38
Transferred to Tax Title Account .....		5,435.74
Abated .....		1,382.60
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....		246.95
	\$ 29,317.67	\$ 29,317.67

### Taxes and Assessments, 1934

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$245,572.27
Interest Collected .....	9,084.22
Refunds Account Taxes and Interest .....	269.47
Additional Commitment January 1935 .....	24.02

Paid Treasurer .....	\$219,666.33
Transferred to Tax Title Account .....	11,808.41
Abated .....	1,969.84
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....	21,505.40

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	\$254,949.98	\$254,949.98
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#### **Taxes and Assessments, 1935**

General Tax Warrant .....	\$558,923.52	
Interest Collected .....	232.07	
Refunds Account Taxes .....	1,030.76	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$353,872.73
Abated .....		5,169.48
Transferred to Tax Title Account .....		7,980.59
Transferred to Deferred Payments .....		37.36
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....		193,126.19

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	\$560,186.35	\$560,186.35
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#### **Sewer Rentals**

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$ 1,017.72	
Committed, 1935 .....	9,063.59	
Interest Collected .....	72.56	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 8,214.07
Transferred to Tax Title .....		76.70
Abated .....		57.21
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....		1,805.89

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	\$ 10,153.87	\$ 10,153.87
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#### **Highway Betterment**

Commitments March and October .....	\$ 2,127.86	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 352.34
Apportioned 1935 to 1945 .....		1,775.52

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	\$ 2,127.86	\$ 2,127.86
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Advanced payment apportioned highway ....	\$ 381.93	
Interest Collected .....	.20	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 382.13

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	\$ 382.13	\$ 382.13
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#### **Sidewalk Betterment**

Commitment October .....	\$ 240.42	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 51.03
Apportioned 1936 to 1945 .....		189.39

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	\$ 240.42	\$ 240.42
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Advanced payment apportioned sidewalk .....	\$	38.70		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	38.70
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	\$	38.70	\$	38.70

#### **Sewer Betterment**

Commitment March .....	\$	469.41		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	121.41
Apportioned 1935 to 1944 .....				348.00
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	\$	469.41	\$	469.41

#### **Water Liens Added to Taxes**

Uncollected December 31, 1934 .....	\$	182.15		
Commitment .....		671.21		
Interest Collected .....		1.57		
Paid Treasurer .....				259.38
Abated .....				1.15
Added to 1935 Taxes .....				594.40
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	\$	854.93	\$	854.93

#### **Water Liens Not Added to Taxes**

Commitment .....	\$	203.70		
Refund .....		12.80		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	74.65
Uncollected December 31, 1935 .....				141.85
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	\$	216.50	\$	216.50

#### **Recapitulation**

Total receipts from taxes and assessments:—

Taxes .....	\$685,356.00
Highway assessments and interest .....	2,337.64
Sidewalk assessments and interest .....	965.64
Sewer assessments and interest .....	9,331.91
Water Liens .....	702.72
Motor Vehicle assessments .....	13,969.51
Interest .....	11,712.23
Advertising Costs, etc. ....	1,304.65

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\$608,680.30

Paid to Treasurer as per Treasurer's Receipts \$608,680.30

GRACE V. VIALL,  
Collector of Taxes.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Year Ended December 31, 1935.

The transactions in the General Cash Account, in summary form, were as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1935 ..... \$ 45,427.42

### Receipts:

Grave V. Viall, Collector .....	\$608,680.30
Municipal Light Department .....	319,156.24
Water Department .....	51,609.27
School Department .....	10,108.17
Cemetery Department .....	7,476.05
Tree Warden and Moth Departments ....	501.75
Library .....	386.21
Hearings, Licenses and Permits .....	750.76
Other Departmental Receipts .....	5,698.92
Refunds to Welfare and Soldiers' Relief Departments .....	35,133.44
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of 1935 Revenue .....	390,000.00
Temporary Loans Refunded .....	50,000.00
Coupon Notes—Funded Debt .....	95,000.00
Com. of Mass., Taxes .....	46,635.45
Com. of Mass., Tax Title Loan .....	25,000.00
Com. of Mass., Soldier's Benefits .....	1,293.04
State and County—Highways .....	5,165.63
Mun. Light Dept., Transfer of Income ....	19,488.35
Trust Funds Transfers .....	25,941.36
Trust Funds Income .....	5,779.71
Redemption of Prop. Taxes, Int., and Costs	19,501.83
Dividend from Trustees—Closed Bank ....	1,393.96
Miscellaneous .....	3,193.46

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Total Receipts ..... \$1,727,893.90

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\$1,773,321.32

Disbursements :

Temporary Loans .....	\$440,000.00
Notes and Bonds, Funded Debt .....	91,000.00
Discount on Notes .....	2,271.25
Interest on Funded Debt .....	14,084.75
State Taxes and Assessments .....	31,065.36
County Taxes .....	23,059.10
Other Disbursements .....	983,125.65
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Total Disbursements .....	\$1,584,606.11
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Balance December 31, 1935 .....	\$ 188,715.21

**Funded Debt**

Outstanding January 1, 1935 .....	\$362,100.00
Notes Issued in 1935 .....	120,000.00
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	\$482,100.00
 Bonds and Notes Paid in 1935 .....	 \$ 91,000.00
Outstanding December 31, 1935 .....	391,100.00
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	\$482,100.00

**Notes Issued in Anticipation of Revenue**

Outstanding January 1, 1935 .....	\$250,000.00
Notes Issued in 1935 .....	440,000.00
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	\$690,000.00
 Notes Paid in 1935 .....	 \$440,000.00
Outstanding December 31, 1935 .....	250,000.00
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	\$690,000.00

A more detailed statement of receipts and disbursements and a statement of the Trust Funds are presented in the report of the Town Accountant.

PRESTON F. NICHOLS, Treasurer.





ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

For the year Ended December 31,

1935

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

### Receipts 1935

#### Taxes and Assessments:

Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1935 .....	\$339,535.30
Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1934 .....	206,974.03
Poll, Personal and Real Estate Prior Years .....	21,149.17
Interest on Taxes .....	11,445.23
Motor Vehicle Ex. Tax .....	13,969.51
Interest on same .....	176.02
Sewer Assessments .....	892.21
Sewer Assessments Advance Payments ....	132.96
Interest on same .....	165.23
Interest on same, additional .....	16.65
Sewer Rentals .....	8,141.51
Interest on same .....	72.56
Sidewalks and Curb Assessments .....	742.10
Sidewalks and Curb Assessments Advance Payments .....	38.70
Interest on same .....	184.84
Highway Betterment Assessments .....	1,645.47
Highway Betterment Assessments Advance Payments .....	\$ 382.13
Interest on same .....	310.24
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	43.00
Moth and Tree Work Assessments .....	654.50
Water Liens .....	702.72
Interest on same .....	1.57
Cost and Charges .....	1,304.65
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	\$608,680.30

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Taxes

Income Tax, Valuation Measure .....	\$ 21,323.53
Educational Measure .....	16,915.00
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	\$ 38,238.53
Corporation Taxes, Business .....	6,914.22
Gas, Light and Water .....	632.20
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	\$ 7,546.42

Race Track Distribution		
Chap. 374, Acts 1934 .....	\$	850.50
State Aid .....		695.00
Military Aid .....		217.50
Veterans' Exemption .....		380.54
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		\$ 47,928.49
Comm. of Mass. Aid to Highways (Chap. 90) .	\$	685.10
County of Middlesex, Aid to Highways		
(Chap. 90) .....		228.36
Comm. of Mass. Aid to Highways Chap. 464,		
Acts 1935 .....		4,212.17
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		\$ 5,125.63

**Board of Selectmen, Licenses, etc.**

Second Hand Motor Vehicle .....	\$	40.00
Taxicab .....		9.00
Truck .....		10.00
Victualer's .....		30.00
Lord's Day .....		150.00
Inn Holders .....		1.00
Theatre .....		57.00
Auctioneers .....		8.00
Bowling and Pool .....		20.00
Junk Dealer .....		10.00
Revolver .....		28.50
Pony .....		2.00
Peddler's .....		11.00
Advertising Hearings .....		62.26
Alcohol .....		2.00
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		\$ 440.76
Inspector of Building, Fees .....	\$	230.50
Board of Appeal, Hearings .....		30.00

**Board of Health, Licenses, etc.**

Undertakers .....	\$	3.00
Hairdressers .....		7.00
Masseuse .....		1.00
Physiotherapist .....		1.00
Pasteurizing .....		20.00
Ice Cream .....		10.00
Denatured Alcohol .....		1.00
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		\$ 42.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures Fees .....	\$ 46.27
Milk Inspector's Fees .....	35.00
Court Fines .....	1,427.00
County of Middlesex, from Dog Licenses .....	1,277.48

#### Redemption of Tax Titles

Taxes, Interest and Costs .....	\$ 17,382.94
Additional Interest and Costs .....	2,059.74
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	\$ 19,442.68

#### Public Welfare Department

##### Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Old Age Assistance .....	\$ 6,899.27
Mothers' Aid .....	1,918.64
Temporary Aid .....	13,776.77
City of Woburn .....	164.50
Town of North Reading .....	1,069.17
Town of Wakefield .....	3,883.22
City of Malden .....	342.66
City of Somerville .....	1,190.36
Town of Wilmington .....	303.27
City of Melrose .....	41.26
City of Quincy .....	904.58
City of Everett .....	134.67
City of Lynn .....	252.27
Town of Natick .....	178.54
Town of Stoneham .....	922.39
City of Medford .....	313.84
City of Peabody .....	44.83
City of Newton .....	264.00
Town of Braintree .....	310.75
Town of Needham .....	28.79
Town of Fairhaven .....	661.85
City of Salem .....	21.33
Town of North Andover .....	66.67
Town of Tewksbury .....	53.33

##### Refunds:

Aid, Board and Care .....	\$ 824.34
Temporary Aid .....	353.89
Old Age Assistance .....	20.50

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\$ 34,945.69

### School Department

C. of M. Tuition .....	\$ 2,469.25
City of Boston Tuition .....	188.87
Town of Wakefield Tuition .....	156.33
Town of North Reading Tuition .....	4,245.37
City of Chelsea Tuition .....	15.23
Town of Stoneham Tuition .....	59.53
Town of Wilmington Tuition .....	271.79
City of Melrose Tuition .....	143.51
Sundry Parties Tuition .....	161.50
School Dept. Misc. ....	151.58
Refunds, Maint. Acct. ....	17.50
Comm. of Mass. Voc. Ed. ....	1,848.38
Smith Hughes Fund .....	373.33
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	\$ 10,108.17*

\*See also Income Tax Page 274

Public Library Fines .....	\$ 386.21
Water Dept. Rates, etc. ....	51,609.27
Municipal Light Dept. Rates, etc. ....	\$318,816.29

### Cemetery Dept.

Sales Lots and Graves .....	\$ 1,998.75
Int. on Deferred Payments .....	27.30
Care Lots and Graves, etc. ....	2,485.00
Care Endowed Lots from Bequest Fund .....	2,155.09
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	\$ 6,667.14

### Bonds and Notes Issued:

Mun. Light Department .....	\$ 20,000.00
Tax Title Loan .....	25,000.00
Emergency Relief Loan .....	33,000.00
Water Filtration Plant Loan .....	42,000.00
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	\$120,000.00
Premiums and Accrued Interest .....	\$ 802.47
Sundry Charges, Public Works, etc. ....	41.86

### Special Funds:

Public Welfare Fund .....	\$ 55.95
Morrison Fund .....	29.70
E. R. A. Clothing Fund .....	27.50
Baseball Fund .....	44.85
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	\$ 158.00

Sale of Land .....		\$	778.34
Moth and Tree Work Bills .....			501.75
Health Department:			
Town of Danvers .....	\$	134.00	
City of Somerville .....		15.00	
City of Woburn .....		91.50	
Town of North Reading .....		92.00	
Sundry Parties .....		66.60	
Div. of Tuberculosis .....		327.85	
Middlesex County .....		295.25	
State Transient Bureau .....		72.00	
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		\$	1,094.20
Guarantee Deposits:			
Sewer House Connections .....	\$	374.30	
Cemetery Dept. ....		265.00	
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		\$	639.30

## DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS

### Allowances

Board of Public Works .....	\$	50.00	
Police Dept. ....		508.50	
Fire Dept. ....		16.50	
Moth Dept. ....		25.00	
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		\$	600.00

### Refunds

Fire Alarm Maintenance .....	\$	1.40	
Moth Dept. Maintenance .....		26.83	
Misc. Exp. Account .....		4.50	
Cemetery Dept. ....		13.23	
Highway Dept. ....		25.29	
Land Court Expenses .....		75.00	
Soldiers' Relief .....		59.80	
Water Dept. Maintenance .....		134.19	
Municipal Light Dept. ....	\$	360.62	
Miscellaneous .....		39.22	
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		\$	740.08
Tailings Account .....	\$	134.63	
Dividend from Closed Bank .....		1,393.96	
Municipal Light Dept. to Treasurer .....		19,488.35	
Municipal Lighting Tax .....		49.90	
Temporary Loans: Anticipation of Revenue ..		440,000.00	
Dog License Fees from Town Clerk .....	\$	1,702.20	



## Trust Fund Transactions:

Hospital Fund .....	\$ 26,316.44
Cemetery Bequest Fund .....	5,906.25
R. H. S. Scholarship Fund .....	307.29

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\$ 32,529.98

Total Receipts ..... \$1,727,893.90

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**PAYMENTS 1934**
**General Government**

Selectmen's Expenses .....	\$ 761.20
Selectmen's Clerical .....	1,162.96
Town Accountant's Salary .....	1,775.48
Treasurer's Salary .....	1,109.00
Treasurer's Expenses .....	950.69
Treasurer's Clerical .....	262.58
Collector's Salary .....	2,066.00
Collector's Expenses .....	2,123.31
Collector's Clerical .....	497.05
Assessors' Salaries .....	1,761.00
Assessors' Expenses .....	1,779.35
Assessors' Clerical .....	2,165.80
Block System Survey .....	76.25
Town Counsel's Salary .....	1,000.00
Town Counsel's Expenses .....	313.75
Town Clerk's Salary .....	350.00
Town Clerk's Expenses .....	540.52
Registrars' Salaries .....	237.50
Election and Registration Exp. ....	752.77
Bd. Pub. Works, Salaries and Expenses .....	5,198.96

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\$ 24,884.17
**General Accounts**

Miscellaneous Expenses .....	\$ 3,546.39
Municipal Building Maintenance .....	2,799.61
Fire Stations Maintenance .....	1,132.17
Police Station Maintenance .....	1,047.51
Interest, not incl. Water, Sewer and Light ....	6,746.00
Maturing Debt, not incl. Water and Light .....	66,000.00
Planning Board Expenses .....	875.85

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\$ 82,147.53

### Protection of Persons and Property

Police Dept. Maintenance .....	\$ 3,923.94
Police Dept. Salaries .....	31,976.50
Fire Dept Maintenance .....	2,934.08
Fire Dept Salaries .....	17,802.22
Call Men Salaries .....	3,200.75
Fire Alarm Maintenance .....	1,501.22
Forest Warden .....	138.22
Moth Dept. ....	4,255.80
Tree Warden .....	1,498.87
Hydrant Rentals .....	1,500.00
Drinking Fountains .....	100.00
Inspector of Building Salary .....	475.00
Inspector of Wires Salary .....	176.60
Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary .....	481.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expenses ...	185.11
Game Warden .....	95.00
Dog Officer .....	300.00

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\$ 70,545.11

### Health and Sanitation

Board of Health Salaries .....	\$ 300.00
Board of Health Expenses .....	229.96
Inspector of Plumbing Salary .....	565.25
Inspector of Animal's Salary .....	190.00
Inspector of Milk and Food Salary .....	200.00
Care of Contagious Diseases .....	6,498.73
Garbage Collection .....	2,400.00
Dental Clinic .....	500.00
Sewer Dept., Maint., Const. and Int. ....	7,787.86
Sewer Dept., House Connections .....	476.50

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\$ 19,148.30

### Highways and Sidewalks

Highway Dept. Maintenance .....	\$ 25,025.23
Snow and Ice Removal .....	11,948.98
Sidewalk Construction .....	1,986.58
Maintenance Storm Drains .....	465.52
Drainage System Construction .....	2,481.08
Colburn Road Construction .....	454.74
Winthrop Ave. Construction .....	283.81
County Road Construction .....	1.90
Chapin Ave. Layout .....	533.80

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\$ 43,181.64

Street Lighting .....	\$ 17,300.00
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### Charities and Aid

Public Welfare, Administrative Exp. ....	\$ 7,275.68	
Aid, Board and Care .....	58,701.57	
Mothers' Aid .....	8,591.21	
Temporary Aid .....	14,901.70	
Old Age Assistance .....	19,550.05	
	<hr/>	\$109,020.21

### Special Funds

Public Welfare Fund .....	\$ 59.95	
Morrison Fund .....	31.00	
Baseball Fund .....	74.53	
E. R. A. Clothing Fund .....	17.40	
	<hr/>	\$ 182.88

### Soldiers' Benefits

Soldiers' Relief .....	\$ 12,358.86	
State Aid .....	760.00	
Military Aid .....	1,002.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 14,120.86

### School Department

General Salaries .....	\$165,544.84	9
General Maintenance .....	52,530.26	1
Agricultural Salaries .....	2,389.44	
Agricultural Maintenance .....	114.53	
Vocational Tuition .....	471.72	
Smith-Hughes and Geo. Reed Funds .....	316.88	
	<hr/>	\$221,367.67

### Public Library

Salaries .....	\$ 4,796.78	
Maintenance .....	2,793.67	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,590.45

### Recreation

Park Department Maintenance .....	\$ 1,984.95
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### Cemeteries

Laurel Hill Cemetery .....	\$ 10,564.12	
Forest Glen Cemetery .....	598.59	
	<hr/>	\$ 11,162.71

### Unclassified

Memorial Day Observance .....	\$ 500.00
Rent Legion Quarters, Post 62 .....	1,000.00
Town Forest .....	55.29
Unpaid Bills, 1933—34 .....	2,795.20
Land Court Expenses .....	440.11
Child Welfare Work .....	400.00
Damage Suit Settlement .....	1,360.00
W. P. A. Projects .....	2,644.21
Care Soldiers' Graves .....	400.00
Unemployment Relief .....	13,326.17
Taxes 1933, Refunds .....	71.25
Taxes 1934, Refunds .....	233.70
Taxes 1935, Refunds .....	774.20
Motor Vehicle Ex. 1934 Refunds .....	30.71
Motor Vehicle Ex. 1935 Refunds .....	256.56
Other Refunds .....	15.15
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	\$ 24,302.55

### State and County Taxes and Assessments

State Tax .....	\$ 24,300.00
County Tax .....	23,059.10
Metropolitan Sewer Assessment .....	6,356.57
Middlesex County Hospital .....	5,929.86
Hospital Tax .....	108.00
Parks and Reservations .....	224.13
Municipal Lighting Tax .....	76.66
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	\$ 60,054.32
Middlesex County Dog Tax .....	\$ 1,726.80

### Public Service Enterprises

Municipal Light Dept.:	
Maint., Const. Bond and Int. ....	\$318,531.30
Paid to Treasurer .....	19,488.35
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	\$338,019.65
Water Dept.:	
Maint., Const., Bonds and Int. ....	\$ 50,022.08
P. W. A. Water Filtration Plant .....	14,655.14
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	\$ 64,687.22

### Note Payments

Temporary Loans, Anticipation of Revenue ..	\$440,000.00
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### Trust Fund Transactions

Hospital Fund .....	\$ 20,249.63	
Cemetery Fund .....	5,881.25	
R. H. S. Scholarship Fund .....	307.29	
	<hr/>	\$ 26,438.17

### Guarantee Deposit Funds

Cemetery Work Refunds .....	\$ 208.50	
Sewer House Connections Refunds .....	123.02	
	<hr/>	\$ 331.52
Cash to Soldiers' Relief Dept. ....	\$ 25.00	
Cash to Welfare Dept. ....	50.00	
Highway Dept. Equipment .....	4,500.00	
Police Dept. Motorcycles .....	669.80	
Moth Dept. Truck .....	658.50	
C. W. A. Projects .....	289.34	
Premium Account .....	216.76	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,409.40
Total Payments .....		\$1,584,606.11

### TREASURER'S CASH

Balance on Hand .....	\$ 45,427.42	
Receipts .....	1,727,893.90	
	<hr/>	\$1,773,321.32
Payments .....	\$1,584,606.11	
Balance on Hand .....	188,715.21	
	<hr/>	\$1,773,321.32

### APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1935

#### General Government

	Appropriated	
	1935	
Selectmen's Expenses .....	\$ 800.00	
Selectmen's Clerical .....	1,162.96	
Town Accountant's Salary .....	1,775.48	
Treasurer's Salary .....	1,109.00	
Treasurer's Expenses .....	1,000.00	
Treasurer's Clerical .....	250.00	
Collector's Salary .....	2,066.00	
Collector's Expenses .....	1,500.00	

Appropriated  
1935

Collector's Clerical .....	500.00
Assessors' Salaries .....	1,761.00
Assessors' Expenses .....	1,800.00
Assessors' Clerical .....	2,165.80
Block System Survey .....	
Town Counsel's Salary .....	1,000.00
Town Counsel's Expenses .....	200.00
Town Clerk's Salary .....	350.00
Town Clerk's Expenses .....	600.00
Bd. Pub. Works Salaries and Expenses .....	5,200.00
Registrars' Salaries .....	237.50
Election and Registration Expenses .....	675.00

\$ 24,152.74

**General Accounts**

Miscellaneous Expenses .....	\$ 2,500.00
Municipal Building Maintenance .....	2,500.00
Fire Stations Maintenance .....	850.00
Police Station Maintenance .....	\$ 1,100.00
Planning Board Expenses .....	1,000.00
Interest, not incl. Water, Light and Sewer ....	19,186.00
Maturing Debt, not incl. Water and Light ....	66,000.00

\$ 93,136.00

**Protection of Persons and Property**

Police Dept. Maintenance .....	\$ 4,000.00
Police Dept. Salaries and Special Officers ....	32,096.00
Fire Dept. Maintenance .....	2,375.00
Fire Dept. Salaries .....	17,802.22
Fire Dept. Call Men Salaries .....	3,200.75
Fire Alarm Maintenance .....	1,500.00
Hydrant Rentals .....	1,500.00
Moth Dept. Maintenance .....	4,231.00
Tree Warden Maintenance .....	1,500.00
Forest Warden Maintenance .....	150.00
Inspector of Buildings Salary .....	475.00
Inspector of Wires Salary .....	176.60
Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary .....	481.80
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expenses ....	190.00
Game Warden Salary .....	95.00
Dog Officer .....	300.00

\$ 70,073.37



Appropriated  
1935

**Health and Sanitation**

Board of Health Salaries .....	\$ 300.00
Board of Health Expenses .....	400.00
Inspector of Plumbing Salary .....	565.25
Inspector of Animals Salary .....	190.00
Inspector of Milk and Food Salary .....	200.00
Care of Contagious Diseases .....	6,500.00
Garbage Collection .....	2,400.00
Dental Clinic .....	500.00

\$ 11,055.25

Sewer Dept. House Connections ..... \$ 1,000.00

**Highways and Sidewalks**

Highway Dept. Maintenance .....	\$ 25,000.00
Sidewalk Construction .....	2,000.00
Snow and Ice Removal .....	10,000.00
Maintenance Storm Drains .....	500.00

\$ 37,500.00

Street Lighting ..... \$ 17,300.00

**Charities and Aid**

Administrative Expenses .....	\$ 7,282.00
Aid, Board and Care .....	52,000.00
Temporary Aid .....	14,718.00
Mother's Aid .....	6,000.00
Old Age Assistance .....	20,000.00

\$100,000.00

**Soldiers' Benefits**

State Aid .....	\$ 1,000.00
Military Aid .....	800.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	11,500.00

\$ 13,300.00

**Education**

School Dept. General Maintenance .....	\$ 48,390.00
School Dept. General Salaries .....	169,722.00
School Dept. Agr. Maintenance .....	540.00
School Dept. Agr. Salaries .....	2,506.40
Industrial Tuition .....	1,500.00

\$222,658.40

		Appropriated 1935
Public Library Maintenance .....	\$ 2,800.00	
Public Library Salaries .....	4,800.00	
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		\$ 7,600.00
<b>Recreation</b>		
Park Dept. Maintenance .....	\$ 2,000.00	
Drinking Fountains .....	100.00	
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		\$ 2,100.00
<b>Cemeteries</b>		
Laurel Hill Cemetery Maintenance .....	\$ 8,000.00	
Forest Glen Cemetery Maintenance .....	600.00	
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		\$ 8,600.00
Memorial Day Observance .....		\$ 500.00
<b>Other Appropriations</b>		
Art. 7. Land Court Expenses .....	\$ 500.00	
Art. 8. Reserve Fund .....	5,000.00	
Art. 9. Overdraft O. A. A. ....	8.00	
Art. 10. Unpaid Bills 1933-1934 .....	2,800.00	
Art. 11. Overdraft Temporary Aid .....	427.95	
Art. 12. Care of Soldiers' Graves .....	400.00	
Art. 13. Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hosp.	5,929.86	
Art. 17. Police Dept. Motorcycles .....	800.00	
Art. 19. Moth Dept. Truck .....	800.00	
Art. 24. Unemployment Relief Projects .....	15,000.00	
Art. 25. Damage Suit Settlement .....	1,360.00	
Art. 27. Storm Water Drainage Dev. ....	2,500.00	
Art. 28. Highway Dept. Equipment .....	4,500.00	
Art. 34. Laying Out and Const. Colburn Road	\$ 1,781.86	
Art. 35. Laying Out and Const. Winthrop Ave.	301.75	
Art. 37. Land Purchase, Birch Meadow .....	1.00	
Art. 47. Town Forest .....	75.00	
Art. 48. Child Welfare Work .....	400.00	
Art. 49. Rent Legion Quarters .....	1,000.00	
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Total Appropriations from tax levy ..		\$652,561.18*
* Does not include State or County taxes or Overlays.		
Art. 4. Water Dept. ....		\$50,000.00*
Art. 4. Sewer Dept. ....		\$10,000.00*
* Not included in tax levy.		

## VALUATION

1935

Real Estate ..... \$ 15,525,845  
 Personal Estate .... 1,062,715

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\$ 16,588,560

Tax Rate: \$32.00

## TAXES

Real Estate ..... \$496,827.04

Personal Estate .... 34,006.83

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\$530,833.87

Poll Taxes:

3245 at \$2.00 ..... 6,490.00

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\$537,323.87

## APPROPRIATIONS

Town Exp. Debt, etc.:

March 1935 ..... \$652,561.18

Nov. 1934 ..... 9,632.11

Deficit 1932 Overlay .. 541.71

O. A. A. Abatements .. 201.00

Water Dept. .... 50,000.00

Sewer Dept. .... 10,000.00

State Tax ..... 23,085.00

Met. Sewer Asst. .... 6,735.00

Hospital Tax ..... 14.00

Mun. Lighting Tax ... 50.00

Parks and Reservations 135.00

County Tax ..... 23,158.17

Overlay 1935 ..... 8,842.81

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\$784,955.98

Less Estimated Receipts:

General ... \$145,000.00

Water Dept.:

From Res. 2,809.13

From Rec. 47,190.87

Sewer Dept.:

From Res. 1,255.97

From Rec. 8,744.03

Available

Funds .. 9,632.11

Mun. Loan

Acts of

1935 ..... 33,000.00

247,632.11

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\$537,323.87

# ACCOUNTING TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

	Uncollected		Committed		Abated &		Refunded	To Tax	Col- lected Dec. 31, 1935
	Jan. 1, 1935	etc.	Appor'n.	etc.					
Poll, Per. Real Estate									
Levy of 1931 .....	\$ 169.53	\$ 356.40	\$ 356.40				100.00		69.53
Levy of 1932 .....	247.10	1,572.97	241.28				1,578.79		
Levy of 1933 .....	24,449.63	1,286.11	795.65			5,324.51	19,483.24		132.34
Levy of 1934 .....	239,581.10		1,732.36	\$ 308.23		11,660.24	206,974.03		19,522.70
Levy of 1935 .....		537,374.67	4,487.30	774.20		7,706.24	339,535.30		186,420.03
Moth and Tree 1932 ..	14.00		2.00				12.00		
Moth and Tree 1933 ..	43.50		1.00			1.00	41.50		
Moth and Tree 1934 ..	278.00	1.50	5.00				249.50		25.00
Moth and Tree 1935 ..		580.00		.50			352.50		227.00
Old Age Asst. 1932 ....	8.00						8.00		
Old Age Asst. 1933 ....	84.00	2.00	50.00				35.00		1.00
Motor Veh. Ex. 1932 ...	193.36		132.69				60.67		
Motor Veh. Ex. 1933 ..	1,113.26		549.81				460.66		102.79
Motor Veh. Ex. 1934 ..	4,068.87	24.02	312.30	34.56			1,992.11		1,823.04
Motor Veh. Ex. 1935 ..		15,794.90	668.32	256.56			11,443.21		3,939.93

S. & C. Unapportioned	294.26	240.42	294.26	51.03	189.39
S. & C. Asst. 1933 .....	8.06		.29	7.77	
S. & C. Asst. 1934 ....	295.85	8.43		299.26	5.02
S. & C. Asst. 1935 ....		647.92		392.47	255.45
S. & C. Interest 1933 ..	3.59	.29		3.88	
S. & C. Interest 1934 ..	82.15	1.52		83.52	.15
S. & C. Interest 1935 ..		168.05		98.96	69.09
Sewer Assts. Unapp. ...		469.41	348.00	121.41	
Sewer Assts. 1933 .....	106.33			65.39	4.06
Sewer Assts. 1934 .....	413.32			79.60	30.62
Sewer Assts. 1935 .....		778.01		67.23	279.96
Sewer Assts. Int. 1933 .	37.18			25.27	2.20
Sewer Assts. Int. 1934 .	117.04			28.16	11.84
Sewer Assts. Int. 1935 .		153.04	8.72	19.21	46.63
Sewer Rentals .....	1,017.72	9,068.73	57.21	8,141.51	1,771.33
Highway Asst. Unapp. .	1,869.88	2,127.86	3,076.84	352.34	568.56
Highway Appor'n. 1933	43.75	11.22		12.64	4.56
Highway Appor'n. 1934	556.93		11.76	23.41	59.48
Highway Appor'n. 1935		2,477.49	90.71	161.26	1,432.78
Highway App. Int. 1933	30.59		11.22	6.93	12.44
Highway App. Int. 1934	179.01		5.64	12.00	27.55
Highway App. Int. 1935		371.70		163.82	191.08

## ACCOUNTING ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES

### Deferred Payments

	Balance Jan. 1, 1934	Committed 1935	Apportioned etc.	Collected	Balance
Assessment					
Sewer As.	\$ 2,260.66	\$ 348.00	\$ 778.01	\$ 132.96	\$ 1,697.69
Sidewalk & Curbing ..	2,580.50	294.26	647.92	38.70	2,188.14
Highway Assessm't .	4,112.61	3,099.53	2,418.05	381.93	4,412.16

### Charges 1935

Cem. Lots .	\$ 191.25	\$ 950.00		\$ 868.75	\$ 272.50
Cemetery					
Bequests ..	235.00	750.00		745.00	240 00

### Accounting Overlays

	Balance Jan. 1, 1935	Appro'n. 1935	Abate'nts. 1935	Transfer	Balance 12/31/35
For Taxes of—					
1932 ....	Dr. \$385.54	\$ 541.71	\$ 626.82		Dr. \$85.11
1933 ....	7,099.47		795.65	\$ 6,171.48	132.34
1934 ....	2,651.17		1,661.11		990.06
1935 ....		8,842.81	4,487.30		4,355.51

### Departmental Accounts Receivable

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$ 35,494.64
Charges .....		46,642.59
Receipts .....	\$ 43,824.37	
Credits and Adjustments .....	2,881.02	..
Committed to Collector .....	579.00	
Balance to 1936 .....	34,852.84	
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	\$ 82,137.23	\$ 82,137.23

### Tax Titles Account

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$ 25,783.19	
Taxes, Assts. and Costs on Property Taken ..	26,259.87	
Redemption of Property .....		\$ 17,382.94
Re-Commitment .....		1,197.00
Taxes Charged Back .....		2,761.18
Adjustment .....		36.23
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....		30,665.71
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	\$ 52,043.06	\$ 52,043.06



### Water Department

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$ 1,410.50	
Charges, Meter Rates, etc. ....	53,928.97	..
Collected .....		51,609.27
Abatements .....		288.23
Transferred to Water Liens Account .....		874.91
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....		2,567.06
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	\$ 55,339.47	\$ 55,339.47

### Water Liens

Balance January 1, 1935 .....	\$ 182.15	
Commitments .....	938.22	
Refund .....	12.80	
Collected .....		\$ 702.72
Abatements .....		16.16
Added to Tax Titles .....		9.35
Balance December 31, 1935 .....		404.94
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	\$ 1,133.17	\$ 1,133.17

### Municipal Light Department

#### Accounts Receivable

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$ 29,706.18	
Charges, Light and Power, etc. ....	345,356.12	
Receipts .....		\$318,816.29
Discounts and Credits .....		24,354.70
Balance December 31, 1935 .....		31,891.31
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	\$375,062.30	\$375,062.30

### Excess and Deficiency Account

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$ 35,073.36
Receipts, Redemption of Property .....		17,382.94
Taxes Charged Back .....		2,769.97
Additional Taxes Committed, Polls .....		20.00
Transfer from General Appropriations:		
Estimated Receipts .....		\$ 7,893.19
Sundry Accounts .....		8,442.46
Transfer from Tax Title Account .....	\$ 24,690.99	
Reserve for Payment of Tax Title Loan .....	4,525.97	
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	42,364.96	
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	\$ 71,581.92	\$ 71,581.92

### Cemetery Reserve

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$ 4,454.39
Receipts, Sale Lots and Graves .....		1,998.75
Interest .....		27.30
Appropriated for Laurel Hill Cemetery .....	\$ 400.00	
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	6,080.44	
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	\$ 6,480.44	\$ 6,480.44

### Water Reserve

Balance January 1, 1935 .....		\$ 2,809.13
Receipts from Water Liens, Water Dept. ...		704.72
Trans. from Maint. Acct. ....		112.11
Trans. from Estimated Receipts .....		\$ 5,122.69
Refund .....	\$ 12.80	
Appro. for Maint. Water Dept. 1935 .....	2,809.13	
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	5,926.72	
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	\$ 8,748.65	\$ 8,748.65

### Sewer Reserve

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$ 1,255.97
Trans. from Sewer Dept. Maint. Acct. ....		2,212.14
Trans. from Estimated Receipts .....		677.09
Appro. for Sewer Dept. Maint. ....	\$ 1,255.97	
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	2,889.23	
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	\$ 4,145.20	\$ 4,145.20

## APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

### Selectmen's Expenses

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 800.00	
	Dr.		
Telephone .....	\$ 141.42		
Adv. Headings and Printing .....	173.97		
Stationery and Postage .....	95.34		
Office Equipment .....	277.16		
Towel Supply .....	16.80		
Executive Studies .....	30.93		
All Other .....	25.58		
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Total Payments .....	\$ 761.20		
Balance to Revenue .....	38.80		
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	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	

**Selectmen's Clerical**

Cr.

Appropriation .....		\$ 1,162.96
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Dr.

L. G. Bent .....	\$ 1,162.96	
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	\$ 1,162.96	\$ 1,162.96

**Town Accountant's Salary**

Cr.

Appropriation .....		\$ 1,775.48
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Dr.

L. G. Bent .....	\$ 1,775.48	
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	\$ 1,775.48	\$ 1,775.48

**Treasurer's Salary**

Cr.

Appropriation .....		\$ 1,109.00
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Dr.

Preston F. Nichols .....	\$ 1,109.00	
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	\$ 1,109.00	\$ 1,109.00

**Treasurer's Expenses**

Cr.

Appropriation .....		\$ 1,000.00
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Dr.

Postage .....	\$ 469.84	
Fidelity Bond .....	225.00	
Telephone .....	87.54	
Stationery and Supplies .....	80.15	
Certification of Notes .....	50.00	
Safe Deposit Rental .....	20.00	
Insurance .....	18.16	

Total Payments .....	\$ 950.69	
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Balance to Revenue .....	49.31	
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

**Treasurer's Clerical**

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 250.00
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Transfer from Reserve Fund .....	25.00
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	Dr.		
Sadie A. Nichols .....		\$	262.58
Balance to Revenue .....			12.42
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		\$	275.00
		\$	275.00

#### Collector's Salary

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 2,066.00
	Dr.		
Grace V. Viail .....		\$	2,066.00
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		\$	2,066.00
		\$	2,066.00

#### Collectors' Expenses

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 1,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....			625.00
	Dr.		
Stationery and Postage .....		\$	449.34
Printing and Advertising .....			458.00
Bond Insurance .....			503.97
Telephone .....			48.05
Registration of Deeds .....			424.40
Office Equipment .....			20.84
Towel Supply .....			7.20
Books .....			204.01
All Other .....			7.50
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Total Payments .....			2,123.31
Balance to Revenue .....			1.69
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		\$	2,125.00
		\$	2,125.00

#### Collector's Clerical

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 500.00
	Dr.		
Expended .....		\$	497.05
Balance to Revenue .....			2.95
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		\$	500.00
		\$	500.00

#### Board of Assessors' Salaries

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 1,761.00

	Dr.		
George E. Horrocks .....	\$	587.00	
Edgar Frost .....		587.00	
Arthur S. Cook .....		587.00	
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	\$	1,761.00	\$ 1,761.00

#### Board of Assessors' Expenses

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 1,800.00
	Dr.		
Assistant Assessors .....	\$	334.50	
Telephone .....		57.70	
Stationery and Printing .....		195.20	
Street List .....		623.20	
Auto Hire and Transportation .....		217.36	
Reg. of Deeds .....		32.69	
Auto Tax Ser. ....		7.50	
N. E. Towel .....		7.20	
Postage .....		12.00	
Office Equipment .....		270.00	
All Other .....		22.00	
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Total Payments .....	\$	1,779.35	
Balance to Revenue .....		20.65	
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	\$	1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00

#### Board of Assessor's Clerical

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 2,165.80
	Dr.		
C. F. Atkinson .....	\$	1,422.20	
Helen W. Brown .....		743.60	
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	\$	2,165.80	\$ 2,165.80

#### Block System Survey

	Cr.		
Balance from 1934 .....			\$ 259.52
	Dr.		
Davis and Abbott .....	\$	26.25	
Lawrence H. Parker .....		50.00	
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	\$	76.25	

Balance to 1936 .....	183.27		
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	\$ 259.52	\$	259.52

#### **Town Counsel's Salary**

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	1,000.00
	Dr.		
Samuel H. Davis .....	\$ 1,000.00		
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00

#### **Town Counsel's Expenses**

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	200.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....			150.00
	Dr.		
Stenographic Services .....	\$ 203.30		
Telephone .....	33.45		
Recording and Court Expenses .....	13.27		
Postage, Supplies and Travel .....	53.73		
Medical Fee .....	5.00		
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Total Payments .....	\$ 313.75		
Balance to Revenue .....	36.25		
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	\$ 350.00	\$	350.00

#### **Town Clerk's Salary**

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	350.00
	Dr.		
Millard F. Charles .....	\$ 350.00		
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	\$ 350.00	\$	350.00

#### **Town Clerk's Expenses**

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	600.00
	Dr.		
Vital Statistics .....	\$ 321.25		
Stationery and Printing .....	74.94		
Copying .....	71.63		
Bond .....	10.00		



Adm. Oaths etc. ....	62.70		
Total Payments .....	\$	540.52	
Balance to Revenue .....		59.48	
	\$	600.00	\$ 600.00

#### Board of Registrars' Salaries

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	237.50
	Dr.		
Millard F. Charles .....	\$	66.50	
Ralph S. Kenelly .....		57.00	
Owen McKenney .....		57.00	
Robert S. Ralston .....		57.00	
	\$	237.50	\$ 237.50

#### Election and Registration Expenses

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	675.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....			100.00
	Dr.		
Election Officers .....	\$	316.40	
Advertising and Printing .....		261.63	
Rent of Hall .....		162.00	
Install Booths and Equipment .....		12.50	
All Other .....		.24	
Total Payments .....	\$	752.77	
Balance to Revenue .....		22.23	
	\$	775.00	\$ 775.00

#### Board of Public Works, Salaries and Expenses

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$	5,200.00
	Dr.		
Superintendent's Salary .....	\$	2,935.92	
Clerical .....		1,175.90	
Bonds .....		40.76	
Office Supplies and Equipment .....		447.67	
Auto Maint. ....		26.32	
Telephone .....		266.93	

Insurance .....	32.40	
All Other .....	273.06	
Total Payments .....	\$ 5,198.96	
Balance to revenue .....	1.04	
	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,200.00

#### Miscellaneous Expenses

##### Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 2,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....	1,100.00

##### Dr.

Printing Town Report .....	\$ 965.30	
Stationery and Printing .....	236.05	
Care and Lighting Old South Clock .....	184.80	
Finance Committee Expenses .....	132.50	
Board of Appeal .....	12.25	
Inspector of Wires .....	3.70	
Building Department .....	4.12	
Clerical .....	937.35	
Damage Suit .....	35.00	
Care of Dogs .....	562.00	
Census 1935 .....	188.00	
Office Equipment .....	252.00	
All Other .....	64.82	
Total Payments .....	\$ 3,541.89	
Balance to Revenue .....	58.11	
	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00

#### Municipal Building Maintenance

##### Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 2,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....	300.00

##### Dr.

Janitor's Services .....	\$ 941.72
Janitor's Supplies .....	189.84
Fuel .....	300.94
Light .....	441.59
Water and Sewer .....	53.96
Insurance .....	455.54
Ash Removal .....	30.79

Furniture .....	122.04	
Repairs .....	254.24	
All Other .....	8.95	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 2,799.61	
Balance to Revenue .....	.39	
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	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,800.00

### Fire Stations, Maintenance

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 850.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....	250.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....	50.00

Dr.

#### Central Fire Station:

Fuel .....	\$ 320.70
Repairs to Building .....	231.22
Lighting .....	106.80
Water and Sewer .....	45.48
Insurance .....	85.91
Supplies .....	128.29
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	\$ 918.40

#### Engine No. 2 House:

Fuel .....	\$ 132.70
Repairs to Building .....	51.14
Lighting .....	12.43
Water and Sewer .....	6.00
Insurance .....	11.50
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	\$ 213.77

Total Payments .....	\$ 1,132.17	
Balance to Revenue .....	17.83	
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	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,150.00

### Police Station, Maintenance

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,100.00
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Dr.

Water and Sewer .....	\$ 89.07
Light .....	171.67

Fuel .....	227.37	
Janitor .....	285.00	
Janitor Supplies .....	23.16	
Repairs .....	9.50	
Insurance .....	226.24	
Furniture .....	12.00	
All Other .....		
Total Payments .....	\$ 1,044.01	
Balance to Revenue .....	55.99	
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	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00

### Police Department, Salaries

	Cr.	
Appropriation .....		\$ 32,096.00
	Dr.	
Chief Jeremiah Cullinane .....	\$ 2,501.00	
Sergt. Frank T. Slack .....	2,153.00	
Sergt. Francis L. Johnson .....	2,153.00	
Patrolmen:		
Oscar H. Low .....	\$ 1,979.00	
William F. O'Brien .....	1,979.00	
Timothy J. Cullinane .....	1,979.00	
Patrick J. Long .....	1,979.00	
Frank R. Fisher .....	1,979.00	
Harold W. O'Brien .....	1,979.00	
Thomas E. Wall .....	1,979.00	
Gordon G. MacIntire .....	1,979.00	
James H. Lawler .....	1,979.00	
Earl R. Hutchinson .....	1,979.00	
Thomas J. Fitzpatrick .....	1,979.00	
Reserve Officers:		
Patrick Pantano .....	815.00	
Joseph M. Greene .....	815.50	
John R. Condon .....	882.50	
Arthur M. Curtin .....	775.50	
Special Officers .....	112.00	
Total Payments .....	\$ 31,976.50	
Balance to Revenue .....	119.50	
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	\$ 32,096.00	\$ 32,096.00

**Police Department, Maintenance**

**Cr.**

Appropriation ..... \$ 4,000.00

**Dr.**

Chief's Expenses .....	\$ 72.41
Telephone .....	172.66
Gasoline and Oil .....	688.49
Traffic Lines .....	136.55
Traffic Lights and Beacons .....	394.91
Radio and Signal Repairs .....	158.21
Printing and Stationery .....	106.35
Coats etc. ....	146.90
Auto and Motorcycle Repairs .....	256.34
Insurance .....	242.57
Target Practice .....	117.79
Laundry .....	4.00
All Other .....	58.98
Teletype .....	596.75
Automobile .....	599.03
Radio Equipment .....	172.00

Total Payments ..... \$ 3,923.94

Balance to Revenue ..... 76.06

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\$ 4,000.00    \$ 4,000.00

**Fire Department, Salaries**

**Cr.**

Appropriation ..... \$ 17,802.22

**Dr.**

Chief O. O. Ordway .....	\$ 2,327.00
Deputy Chief John J. O'Brien .....	2,066.00
Capt. Hugh L. Eames .....	2,057.22
Lieut. W. H. VanHorn .....	1,392.00
Frank L. McKenney .....	1,392.00
George W. Goodridge .....	1,392.00
Charles H. Heselton .....	1,892.00
Herbert L. Robertson .....	1,892.00
Albert C. Maxwell .....	1,892.00

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\$ 17,802.22    \$ 17,802.22

### Fire Department, Call Men Salaries

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 3,200.75
Dr.		
Capt. Owen McKenney .....	\$	168.25
Capt. Frank Butters .....		168.25
Capt. William H. Gay .....		168.25
Lieut. Lewis Holden .....		144.50
Lieut. Frank R. Heselton .....		144.50
Lieut. Frank R. Heselton, Stwrd Eng. 2 House		95.00
George F. Baxter .....		144.50
L. P. Doucette .....		144.50
Thomas F. Classen .....		144.50
Leslie C. Hadley .....		144.50
G. Warren Sprague .....		144.50
Joseph Arsenault .....		144.50
H. Harvey Quigley .....		144.50
Chester Goodwin .....		144.50
Elmer A. Dykens .....		144.50
Herman L. R'essle, Jr. ....		144.50
W. Reginald VanHorn .....		144.50
John A. Ramsey .....		144.50
Albert E. Merrill .....		144.50
Charles N. Chase .....		144.50
Howard E. Bussell .....		144.50
Andrew B. Butters .....		144.50
	\$ 3,200.75	\$ 3,200.75

### Fire Dept., Maintenance

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 2,375.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....		600.00
Dr.		
Auto Insurance .....	\$	248.65
Telephone .....		107.34
Laundry .....		204.75
Bedding .....		25.19
Repairs to Auto Equipment .....		144.61
Repairs to Other Equipment .....		92.69
Gas and Oil .....		362.27
New Hose .....		405.00
New Appliances .....		1,030.07

Supplies .....	188.92	
Office Equipment .....	44.00	
All Other .....	80.59	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 2,934.08	
Balance to Revenue .....	40.92	
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	\$ 2,975.00	\$ 2,975.00

#### **Fire Alarm, Maintenance**

	Cr.	
Appropriation .....		\$ 1,500.00
	Dr.	
Supt's. Salary .....	\$ 223.68	
Pay Roll .....	607.03	
Auto Expense .....	153.45	
Supplies and Equipment .....	453.14	
Insurance .....	62.52	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 1,499.82	
Balance to Revenue .....	.18	
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	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00

#### **Forest Warden Maintenance**

	Cr.	
Appropriation .....		\$ 150.00
	Dr.	
Salary Deputy Warden .....	\$ 15.00	
Pay Roll .....	25.00	
Supplies .....	26.12	
Equipment .....	67.60	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 138.22	
Balance to Revenue .....	11.78	
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	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00

#### **Moth Dept. Maintenance**

	Cr.	
Appropriation .....		\$ 4,231.00
	Dr.	
Superintendent's Salary .....	\$ 1,631.00	
Pay Roll .....	1,744.27	
Telephone .....	30.74	



Auto Expenses .....	190.53		
Rent .....	144.00		
Supplies .....	245.13		
Insurance .....	208.55		
All Other .....	34.75		
Total Payments .....	\$ 4,228.97		
Balance to Revenue .....	2.03		
	\$ 4,231.00	\$ 4,231.00	

### Tree Warden Maintenance

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 1,500.00	
	Dr.		
Salary of Warden .....	\$ 400.00		
Pay Roll .....	704.32		
Equipment and Supplies .....	133.92		
Auto Expense .....	42.00		
Trees .....	198.10		
All Other .....	20.13		
Total Payments .....	\$ 1,498.37		
Balance to Revenue .....	1.13		
	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	

### Hydrant Rentals

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 1,500.00	
	Dr.		
Water Dept. ....	\$ 1,500.00		
	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	

### Drinking Fountains

	Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 100.00	
	Dr.		
Water Dept. ....	\$ 100.00		
	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	

**Inspector of Buildings, Salary**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	475.00
Dr.			
A. Russell Barnes .....	\$	475.00	
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	\$	475.00	\$ 475.00

**Inspector of Wires, Salary**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	176.60
Dr.			
Hugh L. Eames .....	\$	176.60	
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	\$	176.60	\$ 176.60

**Sealer of Weights and Measures, Salary**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	481.80
Dr.			
Carl M. Smith .....	\$	481.80	
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	\$	481.80	\$ 481.80

**Sealer of Weights and Measures, Expenses**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	190.00
Dr.			
Transportation of Weights .....	\$	160.00	
Apparatus .....		11.35	
Insurance .....		13.76	
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Total Payments .....	\$	185.11	
Balance to Revenue .....		4.89	
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	\$	190.00	\$ 190.00

**Game Warden, Salary**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	95.00
Dr.			
James T. Putnam .....	\$	95.00	
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	\$	95.00	\$ 95.00

### Board of Health, Salaries

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	300.00
Dr.			
E. M. Halligan, M. D. ....	\$	75.00	
Christine F. Atkinson .....		150.00	
Cornelius Thibeault .....		12.50	
Robert B. Shepardson, M. D. ....		62.50	
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	\$	300.00	\$ 300.00

### Board of Health, Expenses

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	400.00
Dr.			
Telephone .....	\$	54.41	
Insp. of Milk and Food Exp. ....		39.07	
Supplies .....		26.18	
Printing and Stationery .....		24.50	
Disposing of Animals .....		41.50	
All Other .....		44.50	
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Total Payments .....	\$	229.96	
Balance to Revenue .....		170.04	
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	\$	400.00	\$ 400.00

### Inspector of Plumbing, Salary

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	565.25
Dr.			
David Taggart .....	\$	565.25	
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	\$	565.25	\$ 565.25

### Inspector of Animals, Salary

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	190.00
Dr.			
Cornelius Thibeault, D. V. M. ....	\$	30.17	
Bernard Schimpfke .....		159.83	
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	\$	190.00	\$ 190.00

### Inspector of Milk and Food, Salary

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	200.00
Dr.			
Carl M. Smith .....	\$	200.00	
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	\$	200.00	\$ 200.00

### Care of Contagious Diseases

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	6,500.00
Dr.			
North Reading Sanatorium .....	\$	1,317.00	
Lakeville Sanatorium .....		351.00	
Middlesex County Sanatorium .....		594.00	
Mass Memorial Hospital .....		1,844.00	
Mass. General Hospital .....		178.57	
Fairlawn Hospital .....		83.00	
Children's Hospital .....		358.65	
R. V. N. A. ....		131.25	
Supplies .....		267.26	
Inspector .....		195.75	
Medical Care .....		627.22	
Town of Winchester .....		122.00	
Rutland State Sanatorium .....		162.50	
City of Malden .....		251.00	
All Other .....		35.53	
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Total Payments .....	\$	6,498.73	
Balance to Revenue .....		1.27	
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	\$	6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00

### Garbage Collection

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	2,400.00
Dr.			
Joseph Farpelha .....	\$	2,400.00	
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	\$	2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00

**Dental Clinic**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	500.00
Dr.			
F. O. Haley, D. M. D. ....	\$	426.50	
Bertha Perkins .....		73.50	
	\$	500.00	\$ 500.00

**Dog Officer**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	300.00
Dr.			
Charles H. Melendy .....	\$	300.00	
	\$	300.00	\$ 300.00

**Sewer Dept., Maintenance and Construction**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	8,744.03
Transfer from Sewer Reserve .....			1,255.97
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	2,584.02	
Supplies .....		429.92	
Insurance .....		175.33	
Interest on Bonds .....		4,090.00	
Auto Expense .....		490.99	
All Other .....		17.60	
Total Payments .....	\$	7,787.86	
Balance to Sewer Reserve .....		2,212.14	
	\$	10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00

**Sewer, House Connections**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	1,000.00
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	343.19	
Pipe and Fittings .....		133.31	
Total Payments .....	\$	476.50	
Balance to Revenue .....		523.50	
	\$	1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

### Highway Department

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 25,000.00
Receipts, Refund .....	\$ 25.20

Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 12,945.24
Repairs .....	2,592.47
Gas and Oil .....	1,988.38
Insurance .....	1,437.60
Road Material .....	2,372.58
Misc. Supplies .....	2,252.73
All Other .....	1,436.23

Total Payments .....	\$ 25,025.23
Balance to Revenue .....	.05

\$ 25,025.29    \$ 25,025.29

### Snow and Ice Removal

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 10,000.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....	2,000.00

Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 6,276.44
Sidewalk Plowing and Hauling Snow .....	1,248.28
Equip. Repairs and Supplies .....	1,699.74
New Equipment .....	903.25
All Other .....	1,816.27

Total Payments .....	\$ 11,948.98
Balance to Revenue .....	51.02

\$ 12,000.00    \$ 12,000.00

### Sidewalk Construction

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 2,000.00
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Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,163.73
Supplies .....	822.85

Total Payments .....	\$ 1,986.58
Balance to Revenue .....	13.42

\$ 2,000.00    \$ 2,000.00

### Maintenance Storm Drains

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	500.00
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	408.62	
Supplies .....		56.90	
Total Payments .....	\$	465.52	
Balance to Revenue .....		34.48	
		\$	500.00
		\$	500.00

### Drainage System Construction

Cr.			
Appropriation .....		\$	2,500.00
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	878.07	
Pipe and Misc. Supplies .....		1,548.26	
All Other .....		54.75	
Total Payments .....	\$	2,481.08	
Balance to Revenue .....		18.92	
		\$	2,500.00
		\$	2,500.00

### Chapin Avenue Construction

Cr.			
Balance from 1934 .....		\$	841.03
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	158.96	
Drainage Supplies .....		212.60	
Asphalt .....		162.24	
Total Payments .....	\$	533.80	
Balance to 1936 .....		307.23	
		\$	841.03
		\$	841.03

### County Road Construction

Cr.			
Balance from 1934 .....		\$	71.29
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	1.90	
Balance to 1936 .....		69.39	
		\$	71.29
		\$	71.29



### Colburn Road Lay-out and Construction

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 1,781.86
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	185.53	
Steam Shovel .....		162.00	
All Other .....		107.21	
Total Payments .....	\$	454.74	
Balance to 1936 .....		1,327.12	
		\$ 1,781.86	\$ 1,781.86

### Winthrop Avenue Lay-out and Construction

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 301.75
Dr.			
Pay Roll .....	\$	264.81	
All Other .....		19.00	
Total Payments .....	\$	283.81	
Balance to 1936 .....		17.94	
		\$ 301.75	\$ 301.75

### Highway Equipment

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 4,500.00
Dr.			
Charles M. Wood Co. ....	\$	3,752.10	
P. I. Perkins Co. ....		695.00	
Hedges and Mathies .....		52.90	
		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00

### Street Lighting

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 17,300.00
Dr.			
Municipal Light Dept. ....	\$	17,300.00	
		\$ 17,300.00	\$ 17,300.00

# **Water Dept., Maintenance, etc.**

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 47,190.87
Transfer from Water Reserve .....		2,809.13
Receipts, refunds .....		134.19
Dr.		
Pay Roll .....	\$ 10,390.79	
Clerical .....	1,936.25	
Bonds .....	13,000.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	2,580.00	
Telephone .....	90.65	
Insurance .....	795.10	
Office Supplies and Equipment .....	298.37	
Fuel .....	239.81	
Light and Power .....	5,468.38	
Supplies .....	11,433.37	
Auto Equip. and Repairs .....	1,106.51	
Tools and Repairs to Tools .....	703.72	
New Meters and Hydrants .....	1,001.21	
All Other .....	77.42	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 50,022.03	
Balance to Water Reserve .....	112.11	
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	\$ 50,134.19	\$ 50,134.19

# **Municipal Light Department, Maintenance Etc.**

Cr.		
Balance from 1934 .....		\$ 2,243.31
Bond Issue .....		20,000.00
Accrued Interest .....		
Sale of Light, Power, Etc. ....		264,944.16
Other Receipts .....		54,408.44
Refunds .....		20.67
Dr.		
New Construction .....	\$ 51,563.30	
Electric Energy Purchased .....	92,627.35	
Salaries and Wages .....	91,111.35	
Maint. and Operation of Lines .....	38,568.55	
Taxes .....	3,384.50	
Insurance .....	3,176.49	
Office and Salesroom .....	5,878.79	
Rent .....	2,018.54	

Other Payments .....	15,262.43	
Interest Paid .....	2,940.00	
Bonds and Notes Paid .....	12,000.00	
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	\$318,531.30	
Paid to Treasurer .....	\$ 19,488.35	
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Total Payments .....	\$338,019.65	
Balance to 1936 .....	3,596.93	
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	\$341,606.58	
Paid to Treasurer, Town of Reading .....	\$ 19,488.35	
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Total Payments .....	338,019.65	
Balance to 1936 .....	\$ 3,596.93	
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	\$341,606.58	\$341,606.58

### Public Welfare Department

#### Administrative

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 7,282.00
Refund from E. R. A. ....	22.50

Dr.

Salaries:		
Supervisory and clerical .....	\$ 4,138.50	
Investigators and visitors .....	2,282.00	
Visitor's Expenses .....	137.36	
Office Supplies and Equipment .....	180.25	
Printing and postage .....	124.00	
Trucking .....	213.34	
Telephone .....	100.22	
Other Payments .....	100.01	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 7,275.68	
Balance to Revenue .....	28.82	
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	\$ 7,304.50	\$ 7,304.50

#### Aid, Board and Care

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 52,000.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....	7,117.22
Refund from E. R. A. ....	799.64
Refunds on Individual Accounts .....	524.34

Dr.

Cash .....	\$ 8,051.49	
Pay Roll Labor .....	11,345.70	
Board .....	3,486.43	
Shelter .....	2,971.47	
Food .....	14,817.59	
Fuel and Light .....	3,756.17	
Medical and Hospital Care .....	3,912.06	
Clothing .....	1,123.72	
Household Necessities .....	327.08	
Massachusetts Hospital School .....	286.26	
Division of Child Guardianship .....	260.71	
Other Cities and Towns .....	6,047.92	
Trucking .....	262.53	
E. R. A. Expense .....	799.64	
E. R. A. Medical Expense .....	46.50	
Emergency Food Orders .....	197.84	
Transportation .....	41.56	
Burials .....	210.50	
Other Payments .....	594.06	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 58,539.23	
Balance to Revenue .....	1,901.97	
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	\$ 60,441.20	\$ 60,441.20

Temporary Aid

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 14,718.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....	195.58
Refunds .....	162.80

Dr.

Cash .....	\$ 3,196.60
Pay Roll Labor .....	3,170.30
Board .....	350.50
Rent .....	830.90
Food .....	4,715.81
Fuel and Light .....	1,010.56
Hospital and Medical Care .....	1,076.03
Clothing .....	288.87
Household Necessities .....	173.80

Burial of Transients .....	249.00	
Other Payments .....	1.67	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 15,064.04	
Balance to Revenue .....	12.34	
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	\$ 15,076.38	\$ 15,076.38

#### **Mother's Aid**

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 6,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund .....	2,150.00
Transfer from Interest Account .....	463.04

Dr.

Cash .....	\$ 6,567.15
Food .....	638.13
Rent .....	547.20
Fuel and Light .....	396.28
Hospital and Medical Care .....	392.27
Clothing .....	39.63
Household Necessities .....	8.00
Other Payments .....	2.55
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Total Payments .....	\$ 8,591.21
Balance to Revenue .....	21.83
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	\$ 8,613.04

#### **Old Age Assistance**

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 20,000.00
Refunds .....	20.50

Dr.

Cash .....	\$ 16,898.00
Fuel .....	363.08
Clothing .....	10.20
Household Necessities .....	47.00
Hospital and Medical Care .....	451.51
Board .....	913.00
Other Cities and Towns .....	862.10
Other Payments .....	5.16
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Total Payments .....	\$ 19,550.05
Balance to Revenue .....	470.45
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	\$ 20,020.50

**Soldiers' Relief**

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 12,429.80
Dr.		
Cash Payments .....	\$ 7,297.29	
Work Payroll .....	1,636.20	
Food .....	1,101.84	
Fuel .....	632.39	
Medical and Hospital .....	737.07	
Burial .....	100.00	
Clothing .....	203.44	
Rent .....	75.00	
Miscellaneous .....	82.50	
Agents's salary and expenses .....	563.13	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 12,428.86	
Balance to Revenue .....	.49	
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	\$ 12,429.80	\$ 12,429.80

**Military Aid**

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 1,100.00
Dr.		
Cash Payments .....	\$ 1,002.00	
Balance to Revenue .....	98.00	
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	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00

**State Aid**

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$ 1,000.00
Dr.		
Cash Payments .....	\$ 760.00	
Balance to Revenue .....	240.00	
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

**School Department, General Salaries**

Cr.		
Appropriation .....		\$169,722.00
Dr.		
Supt. and Teachers' Salaries .....	\$145,044.36	
Janitors' Salaries .....	15,796.30	
Attendance Officer .....	457.01	

School Nurse .....	1,774.92	
Medical Inspection .....	935.00	
Substitutes .....	1,537.25	
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Total Payments .....	\$165,544.84	
Transferred to Main Acct. ....	3,500.00	
Balance to Revenue .....	677.16	
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	\$169,722.00	\$169,722.00

#### School Department, General Maintenance

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 48,390.00
Transfer from Unemployment Relief Fund ....	839.79
Transfer from Salaries Account .....	3,500.00
Refunds .....	17.50

Dr.

Transportation of Pupils .....	\$ 6,290.09	
Tuition .....	203.00	
Textbooks .....	4,132.13	
Supplies for Pupils .....	6,704.63	
General Control Expense .....	2,399.43	
Supervision Expense .....	387.97	
Principals' Office Expense .....	411.43	
Commencement Expense .....	331.61	
Other Expenses of Instruction .....	1,239.34	
Compulsory Attendance .....	48.15	
Medical Service .....	35.49	
Nurse Service .....	291.91	
Fuel .....	7,271.21	
Other Operation Expenses .....	5,839.00	
Maintenance Expense .....	10,282.11	
Capital Outlay .....	2,804.53	
Insurance .....	3,013.44	
E. R. A. (refunded) .....	839.79	
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Total Payments .....	\$ 52,530.26	
Balance to Revenue .....	217.03	
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	\$ 52,747.29	\$ 52,747.29

#### School Department, Agricultural Salaries

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 2,506.40
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	Dr.		
Pay Rolls .....	\$	2,389.44	
Balance to Revenue .....		116.96	
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	\$	2,506.40	\$ 2,506.40

**School Department, Agricultural Maintenance**  
Cr.

Appropriation .....			\$ 540.00
	Dr.		
Total Payments .....	\$	114.53	
Balance to Revenue .....		425.47	
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	\$	540.00	\$ 540.00

**School Department, Vocational Tuition**  
Cr.

Appropriation .....			\$ 1,500.00
	Dr.		
City of Medford .....	\$	262.50	
City of Boston .....		209.22	
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Total Payments .....	\$	471.72	
Balance to Revenue .....		1,028.28	
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	\$	1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00

**Public Library**  
Salaries

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	Cr.		
Appropriation .....			\$ 4,800.00
	Dr.		
Bertha L. Brown, Librarian .....	\$	1,500.00	
Grace J. Abbott, Librarian .....		1,200.00	
Rebecca Turner, Asst Librarian .....		780.00	
Ruth W. Currier .....		293.90	
Nora Carney .....		277.90	
Phyllis Comey .....		26.03	
Mary Lee Kingman .....		12.45	
William H. Killam, Janitor Service .....		706.50	
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Total Payments .....	\$	4,796.78	
Balance to Revenue .....		3.22	
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	\$	4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00

**Public Library, Maintenance**

Cr.

Appropriation ..... \$ 2,800.00

Dr.

Books and Periodicals .....	\$ 1,830.11
Binding .....	11.10
Stationery, Printing and Supplies .....	166.65
Building Repairs .....	154.18
Fuel .....	210.95
Light .....	161.03
Water and Sewer .....	9.00
Removing Ashes .....	5.88
Insurance .....	89.66
Telephone .....	44.59
Furniture .....	54.75
All Other .....	55.77

Total Payments ..... \$ 2,793.67

Balance to Revenue ..... 6.33

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\$ 2,800.00    \$ 2,800.00

**Park Maintenance Department**

Cr.

Appropriation ..... \$ 2,000.00

Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 503.48
Supplies .....	457.69
Repairs .....	189.65
Playground Equipment .....	137.07
Fence .....	377.78
Insurance .....	77.87
All Other .....	241.41

Total Payments ..... \$ 1,984.95

Balance to Revenue ..... 15.05

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\$ 2,000.00    \$ 2,000.00

### Laurel Hill Cemetery

#### Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 8,000.00
Transfer from Cemetery Reserve .....	400.90
Transfer from Cemetery Bequest Fund .....	2,156.09
Receipt .....	13.2

#### Dr.

Superintendent's Salary .....	\$ 2,327.00	
Clerical .....	788.84	
Pay Roll .....	5,387.87	
Telephone .....	98.24	
Material and Supplies .....	652.40	
Equipment and Repairs .....	776.67	
Auto Truck Expense .....	298.66	
Insurance .....	171.60	
All Other .....	62.84	
Total Payments .....	\$ 10,564.12	
Balance to Revenue .....	5.20	
	\$ 10,569.32	\$ 10,569.32

### Forest Glen Cemetery

#### Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 600.00
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#### Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 493.93	
All Other .....	104.66	
Total Payments .....	\$ 598.59	
Balance to Revenue .....	1.41	
	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00

### Care Soldiers' Graves

#### Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 400.00
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#### Dr.

Pay Roll .....	\$ 314.37	
Material .....	85.63	
	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00

## Article 6—Reserve Fund

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 5,000.00
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Dr.

Transfer to following accounts:

Treasurer's Clerical .....	\$ 25.00
Collector's Expenses .....	625.00
Election Expenses .....	100.00
Fire Station Maint. ....	250.00
Military Aid .....	300.00
Misc. Expenses .....	1,100.00
Municipal Building .....	300.00
Town Counsel's Expenses .....	150.00
Mother's Aid .....	2,150.00

Total Transfers .....	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
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## Planning Board Expenses

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 1,000.00
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Dr.

Stationery and Printing .....	\$ 10.50
Supplies and Apparatus .....	317.46
Mass. Federation Dues .....	15.00
Blue Prints, etc. ....	101.48
Revising Zoning Map .....	340.00
Clerical .....	30.00
Miscellaneous .....	61.41

Total Payments .....	\$ 875.85
Balance to Revenue .....	124.15
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	\$ 1,000.00

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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

## Memorial Day Observance

Cr.

Appropriation .....	\$ 500.00
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Dr.			
Flowers .....	\$	172.50	
Lunches .....		75.00	
Flags .....		25.00	
Transportation, etc. ....		9.50	
Band .....		165.00	
Amplifier .....		35.00	
Printing .....		17.50	
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Total Payments .....	\$	500.00	\$ 500.00

**Interest on Town Debt, Not Including Water, Light and Sewer**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 19,186.00

Dr.			
On Temporary Loans .....	\$	2,271.25	
Police Station .....		900.00	
School Building .....		2,320.00	
Municipal Building .....		270.00	
Fire Apparatus .....		171.00	
Relief Loan .....		813.75	
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Total Payments .....	\$	6,746.00	
Transferred to Various Accounts .....		11,225.84	
Balance to Revenue .....		1,214.16	
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	\$	19,186.00	\$ 19,186.00

**Maturing Debt not Including Water and Light**

Cr.			
Appropriation .....			\$ 66,000.00
Dr.			
Sewer .....	\$	8,000.00	
Police Station .....		5,000.00	
School Building .....		34,000.00	
Municipal Building .....		2,000.00	
Fire Apparatus .....		2,000.00	
Relief Loan .....		15,000.00	
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	\$	66,000.00	\$ 66,000.00

## ACCOUNTING SPECIAL FUNDS

Name of Fund	Balance Jan. 1, '35	Receipts	Payments	Balance Dec. 31, '35
Public Welfare, Special Fund .....	\$ 18.62	\$ 55.95	\$ 59.95	\$ 14.62
Morrison Fund .....	90.81	29.70	31.00	89.51
E. R. A. Clothing Fund .....	9.46	27.50	16.20	19.56
Base Ball Fund .....	17.78	44.85	62.63	00.00
Library Fund, Special .....	22.60			22.60
World War Memorial .....	4,069.82			4,069.82
Smith-Hughes Fund .....	279.97	579.33	279.97	579.33
George Reed Fund .....	36.91		36.91	00.00
Premium Account .....		759.76	428.31	331.45
Junior High School .....	101.66			101.66
Tailings Accounts .....	37.55	134.63		172.18
<b>Guarantee Deposits</b>				
Cemetery Work .....		2.65	2.65	
Sewer House Connections .....		374.30	374.30	
E. R. A. Projects .....	289.34		289.34	

# ACCOUNTING SUNDRY APPROPRIATIONS

Title of Account	Appropriation		Expended	Balance
	1935			
Unpaid bills, 1934 .....	\$	2,800.00	\$ 2,795.20	\$ 4.80*
Land Court Expenses .....		525.75	440.11	85.64*
Child Welfare Work .....		400.00	400.00	
Temporary Aid .....		427.95	427.95	
Damage Suit Settlement .....		1,360.00	1,360.00	
Police Motor Cycles .....		800.00	669.80	130.20*
Moth Dept. Truck .....		800.00	658.50	141.50*
Middlesex County Hospital .....		5,929.86	5,929.86	
Town Forest Development .....		75.00	55.29	19.71*
Rent, Legion Quarters .....		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Overdraft Old Age Assistance .....		8.00		8.00*
Care Soldiers' Graves .....		400.00	400.00	
Unemployment Relief Projects .....		15,000.00	15,000.00	
W. P. A. Projects .....		25,000.00	2,644.21	22,355.79**

\*Balance to Revenue

\*\*Balance to 1936



### Accounting Trust Funds

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$229,691.67	
Cemetery Bequests .....	2,965.00	
Interest and Income .....	8,904.01	
Payments for Hospital Care, etc. ....		\$ 8,249.63
Payments Care Endowed Lots .....		2,156.09
Payments for Scholarships .....		150.00
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....		231,004.96
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	\$241,560.68	\$241,560.63

### Cemetery Bequest Fund

Balance, Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$ 65,933.73
Bequests .....		2,065.00
Interest and Income .....		2,449.35
Payments Care Lots .....	\$ 2,156.09	
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	69,196.99	
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	\$ 71,353.08	\$ 71,353.08

### Hospital Fund

Balance Jan. 1, 1935 .....		\$157,578.23
Interest and Income .....		6,269.52
Payments for Hospital Care .....	\$ 8,167.96	
Administrative Expenses .....	81.67	
Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	155,598.12	
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	\$163,847.75	\$163,847.75

### Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1935 .....		\$ 1,034.57
Interest .....		28.64
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	\$ 1,063.21	
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	\$ 1,063.21	\$ 1,063.21

### Reading High School Scholarship Fund

Balance January 1, 1935 .....		\$ 5,140.14
Income .....		156.50
Payments for Scholarships .....	\$ 150.00	
Balance December 31, 1935 .....	5,146.64	
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	\$ 5,296.64	\$ 5,296.64

## STATEMENT OF INVESTED FUNDS

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### Cemetery Bequest Funds

Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	
Investments Listed at Par:	
\$5,000 N. E. Tel. 1st Mort. 5's Series A 1952	\$ 5,000.00
\$5,000 No. Pac. Ry. Ref. & Imp., 6's Series	
B 2047 .....	5,000.00
\$4,000 N. Y. C. R. R. Ref. Imp., 5's Series	
C. 2013 .....	4,000.00
Blackstone Savings Bank, Boston, No. 10672 ..	6,055.38
Home Savings Bank, Boston, No. 368,204 ....	9,713.50
Boston Five Cents Savings Bank, No. 948,228 ..	8,031.52
Andover Savings Bank, No. 40,177 .....	4,262.11
Cambridge Savings Bank, No. 89,112 .....	4,219.93
Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence, No. 230,779 ....	4,314.63
Mech. Savings Bank, Reading, No. 5103 .....	6,427.52
Mech. Savings Bank, Reading, No. 10,714 .....	1,701.46
Malden Savings Bank, No. 137,262 .....	5,252.00
Woburn Savings Bank, No. 61,052 .....	5,193.94
Cash in General Funds .....	25.00
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	\$ 69,196.99

### Library Fund

Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	
Investment:	
Boston Five Cent Savings Bank, No. 987,334	\$ 1,063.21

### Reading High School Scholarship Fund

Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	
Investments:	
Andover Savings Bank, No. 39861 .....	1,000.00
Charlestown Five C'ts Sav'gs Bk. No. 161,863	3,000.00
Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence, No. 230,306	1,000.00
First National Bank, Reading, Savings De-	
partment, No. 5624 .....	142.03
Cash in Closed Bank .....	4.61
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	\$ 5,146.64

# Hospital Fund

Balance Dec. 31, 1935 .....	
Investments, Securities listed at Par or less:	
\$4,500 Am. Tel.—Tel. Cor. Tr. 5's, 1946 ..	\$ 4,500.00
\$5,000 Boston Elevated, 5's, 1937 .....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Chicago B & Q R. R. Co., Ill., Div. "M" 3½'s, 1949 .....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Conn. Lt. & Power Co., 1st Ref. S. F. 4½'s 1956 Series C .....	5,000.00
\$1,000 Conn. Lt. & Power Co., 1st Ref. S. F. 7's 1951 Series A .....	1,000.00
\$5,000 Consumers' Power Co., 5's 1936 ..	5,000.00
\$5,000 Consumers' Power Co., 4½'s, 1958	5,000.00
\$5000 Consolidated Gas of Baltimore Gen. M 4½'s, 1954 .....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Ill. Cent. R. R. Co., Tr. 4's, 1952 ..	5,000.00
\$5,000 Ill. Cent. R. R. Co., St. Louis Div. 1st M 3's 1951 .....	5,000.00
\$5,000 U. S. Treasury Bond 4½'s, 1952 ..	5,000.00
\$10,000 U. S. Treasury Bonds 27/8's 1938	10,000.00
\$5,000 Kings Co. Elec. Lt. & Pow. 5's, 1937	5,000.00
\$5,000 N. Y. Tel. Co. 1st Gen. M 4½'s, 1939	5,000.00
\$5,000 Old Colony R. R. 1st 5's, 1945 ....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Pacific Gas & Elec. 4½'s, 1957 ....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Penn. R. R. Co. Gen. Mort. 4½'s 1965 .....	5,000.00
American Mfg. Co. Common, 72 Shares .	1.00
Home Bleachery & Dye Wks, Pfd, 2 Sh's	11.00
Sharp Mfg. Co., Pfd, 55 Shares .....	1.00
Sharp Mfg. Co. Com., 20 Sh's (10921300)	1.00
Andover Savings Bank, No. 39860 .....	7,103.73
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank, No. 162,338 .....	7,226.73
Essex Sav'gs Bank, Lawrence, No. 230,778	7,191.20

Mechanics Sav'gs Bank, Reading, No. 9189	17,727.87
First Nat. Bank, Reading, Savings Dept., No. 6435 .....	5,258.79
Warren Institute for Savings, Boston, No. 135,648 .....	5,151.27
Chelsea Savings Bank, No. 154,784 .....	4,000.00
Malden Savings Bank, No. 141,347 .....	5,117.18
Provident Inst. for Savings, Boston, No. 615,034 .....	3,000.00
Cash in General Funds .....	6,066.81
Cash in Closed Bank .....	2,240.54

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\$ 155,598.12

I hereby certify that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 55, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I have audited the accounts of the Commissioners of Trust Funds, have examined the securities and verified bank balances and report the foregoing to be a true and accurate statement, December 31, 1935.

LEON G. BENT, Town Accountant.

## ACCOUNTING LOANS

### Anticipation of Revenue

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$250,000.00
Issued in 1935.	

Month	Purchased by	Ratio	Amount	
Feb.,	Second National Bank, Boston ..	1/2-1%	\$ 40,000.00	
May,	Second National Bank, Boston ..	1/2-1%	150,000.00	
Nov.,	Second National Bank, Boston	4/10-1%	50,000.00	
Nov.,	Second National Bank, Boston	8/10-1%	200,000.00	\$440,000.00
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				\$490,000.00

Paid in 1935:

July .....	\$ 50,000.00	
November .....	390,000.00	440,000.00

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Outstanding December 31, 1935 .....	\$250,000.00
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# ACCOUNTING TOWN DEBT

## Detail of Payments in 1935, etc.

	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1935	Issued in 1935	Paid in 1935	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1935	Town Debt Maturing in 1936
Loan					
Municipal Relief Loan Chap. 307, Acts 1935 .....		\$ 33,000.00		\$ 33,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Municipal Light .....	\$ 79,500.00	20,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	87,500.00	11,000.00
Sewer .....	98,000.00		8,000.00	90,000.00	8,000.00
Water .....	73,000.00		13,000.00	60,000.00	10,000.00
Water Filtration Plant Loan		42,000.00		42,000.00	5,000.00
Municipal Building .....	6,000.00		2,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00
School Building .....	58,000.00		34,000.00	24,000.00	24,000.00
Police Station .....	25,000.00		5,000.00	20,000.00	5,000.00
Fire Engine .....	7,500.00		2,000.00	5,500.00	2,000.00
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	\$347,100.00	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 76,000.00	\$366,100.00	\$ 71,000.00

# TOWN DEBT, DETAIL OF MATURITIES

Year	Municipal Relief Loan Chap. 307 Acts 1935.	Municipal Light Dept.	Sewer Dept.	Water Dept.	Mun. Bldg.	School Bldg.	Police Station	Fire Engine	Water Filtration Plant Loan.	Total
1936	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 71,000.00
1937	4,000.00	9,500.00	8,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00		5,000.00	2,000.00	5,000.00	41,500.00
1938	4,000.00	9,500.00	8,000.00	6,000.00			5,000.00	1,000.00	5,000.00	38,500.00
1939	3,000.00	9,500.00	8,000.00	6,000.00			5,000.00	600.00	5,000.00	37,100.00
1940	3,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	6,000.00					5,000.00	30,000.00
1941	3,000.00	6,000.00	7,000.90	6,000.00					4,000.00	26,000.00
1942	3,000.00	6,000.00	7,000.00	6,000.00					4,000.00	26,000.00
1943	3,000.00	6,000.00	7,000.00	4,000.00					3,000.00	23,000.00
1944	3,000.00	6,000.00	7,000.00	4,000.00					3,000.00	23,000.00
1945	3,000.00	4,000.00	6,000.90	4,000.00					3,000.00	20,000.00
1946		2,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00						10,000.00
1947		2,000.00	6,000.00							8,000.00
1948		2,000.00	2,000.00							4,000.00
1949		2,000.00	2,000.00							4,000.00
1950		2,000.00								2,000.00
1951		2,000.00								2,000.00
	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 87,500.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$366,100.00*

\* Does not include Tax Title Loan \$25,000 issued in 1935.

### BORROWING CAPACITY 1936

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# **BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1935**

Cash in Banks and Offices .....			Temporary Loans .....	\$250,000.00
Cash in Closed Bank .....		\$189,155.21	Reserved for Cash in Closed Banks .....	2,787.93
Taxes and Assessments Receivable:		2,787.93	Tailings Account .....	172.18
Personal Estate 1931 .....	\$	69.53	Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue .....	5,865.76
Personal and Real Estate 1933 .....		132.34	Moth Assessments Revenue .....	252.00
Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1934 .....		19,522.70	Sewer Assessments and Int. Revenue .....	375.31
Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1935 .....		186,420.03	Sewer Rentals Revenue .....	1,771.33
Old Age Assistance Tax 1933 .....		1.00	Sidewalk and Curbing Assts. and Int. Revenue 1933-1935 ..	519.10
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1933 .....		102.79	Sidewalk and Curbing Assts. and Int. Revenue 1936-1944 ..	2,188.14
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1934 .....		1,823.04	Highway Betterment Assessments Revenue .....	2,284.01
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1935 .....		3,939.93	Sewer Assessments Apportioned Revenue 1936-1944 .....	1,697.69
Moth Assessments 1933-1935 .....		252.00	Cemetery Lots and Bequests Revenue .....	512.50
Sewer Assessments 1933-1935 .....		314.64	Highway Bett. Assts. Appor'n. Rev. 1936-1944 .....	4,412.16
Committed Interest on same .....		60.67	Tax Titles Revenue .....	30,665.71
Sewer Rentals .....		1,771.33	Reserve For Payment of Tax Title Loans .....	4,525.97
Sidewalk and Curb Assessments 1934-1935 ..		449.86	Departmental Accounts Receivable Revenue .....	34,944.34
Committed Interest on same .....		69.24	Water Dept. Accts. Rec. Revenue .....	2,972.00
Highway Bett. Assessments 1933-1935 .....		2,065.38	Municipal Light Department Accounts Rec. Rev. ....	31,891.31
Committed Interest on same .....		218.63	Municipal Light Department Maintenance .....	3,596.93
Sewer Ass'ts. Appor'n. 1936-1944 .....		1,697.69	Federal Grant, Filtration Plant .....	29,250.00
Sidewalk and Curb Ass'ts. Appor'n. 1936-1944 ..		2,188.14	Cemetery Reserve .....	6,080.44
			Water Reserve .....	5,926.72



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\$391,100.00



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